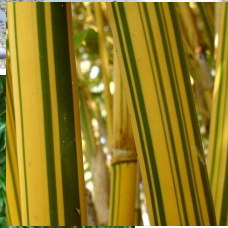
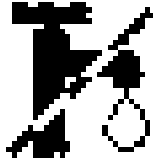


# Alphonse Karr Golden Bamboo



Adored for its bold and beautiful golden-yellow culms, and its adaptability and versatility, Alphonse Karr is a non-spreading, clump-forming Bamboo that grows equally as well containers as it does outdoors in the ground, and can be grown as a houseplant in well-lit indoor spaces.



## ***Bambusa multiplex 'Alphonse Karr' (clumper/ non-invasive)***

- **Use:** Valued for its stunning yellow stripes on green canes. Because it is a clumping bamboo, it grows in a more controlled manner, making it an excellent choice for smaller gardens or landscapes.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full to part sun. During the winter they prefer well-drained soils. Once established needs only occasional water.
- **Growth:** A fast grower and culm producing machine that you can expect to reach 20 feet or more in height (35 to 40 feet at maturity) in a tidy clump of 1.5 inch diameter bright yellow culms to about 5 to feet wide in just a few years. **Can be maintained as a hedge to as low as 6 feet in height.** A clumping bamboo that does not require any control to contain it. That said, the clump can grow up to 10 feet wide over time. If you want to contain it to a smaller area this can be done. Bamboo can be controlled in a small area simply by mowing or stepping on the young shoots. Bamboo only puts up new shoots for a short time each year and, when they are "shooting," the new plants are very fragile and easy to destroy. Root pruning or installing Bamboo Root Barrier are other methods to control spread.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 8-11; Grass (Cold hardy to 12 degrees)
- **Foliage:** Deciduous; Featuring bright yellow canes with random, thin vertical stripes of dark green
- **Flower:** Flowering seems to occur between 2 and 7 years of age. Bamboo flowering is unusual, the flowers are similar to other grasses and the fruits grain-like, but the conditions and age of the plant for flowering is not completely understood.

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