

Dutchman's Pipe Vine



One of the most outrageous flowers in the world, this species from Brazil is huge, over ten inches in length. Each flower displays an intricate pattern of white and mottled reddish-brown. Draw close to it and smell its lemon scent. With a little training, it can be contained to a limited space, such as a hanging basket.

Aristolocia gigantea 'Braziliensis'

- **Use:** This is a pleasant smelling Aristolocia. The bloom has a light lemon scent unlike others that smell like a dead mouse. At first we weren't sure what makes this thing bloom, but now it just looks like sun and time. Be warned though, the bloom forms at tip of the stem. Pinching will delay the bloom.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Light shade best. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Use slow release fertilizer for best results. In hot summer needs lots of water.
- **Growth:** Fast grower to 20 ft. long.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 8-11, Tender perennial; may need winter protection
- **Foliage:** Deciduous-semi-evergreen; Heart shaped leaves are specked in silver.
- **Flower:** A real attraction with its huge 12 inch mottled blossoms that seem to suddenly appear overnight.