**FYN Garden Q & A Series**

**FYN Topic: Pipevine**

**Question:** I purchased and planted a pipevine last spring. I wasn’t expecting ANYTHING to happen so soon but it bloomed 4 weeks later. What a shock!!! This vine is going crazy – with much bigger blooms than expected. Why are they so large? 

**Answer:** Beautiful choice! This may be the vigorous-growing, Giant Dutchman’s Pipevine (*Aristolochia gigantea*). It will bloom both spring and fall in South Florida. *A. gigantea* produces huge, lobed or notched flags rather than blooms with long tails that’s produced on the more common pipevine (*A. grandiflora*). The giant also has pointy leaves rather than rounded leaves seen on Calico-Flower.

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**Useful Links**

- [http://www.floridayards.org](http://www.floridayards.org)
- [http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu](http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu)
- [http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/](http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/)
- [http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu/FYN/FYNHome.shtml](http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu/FYN/FYNHome.shtml)
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