## Shade Your House, Save Money

Before air-conditioning, many original houses were built with large porches, which shaded windows and walls, and homes were situated to take advantage of the shade provided by existing trees. You can choose to carefully position a shade tree in your yard to save up to 25% of the energy a typical household uses for cooling. A fabulous choice for your landscape is a Bridalveil tree - <u>Caesalpinia granadillo</u>. This evergreen shade tree has graceful looking foliage, beautiful mottled bark and grows at a moderate rate. Bridalveil tree grows to 30ft has showy yellow flowers summer and fall. Bridalveil tree flowers are not messy and the tree has no serious pest or disease problems. For information on the right tree for the right place contact the Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service Master Gardener Volunteer Hotline M-F from 9-4 at 561-233-1750.



Bridalveil Tree in parking island at the Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service