

Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

Botanical Name: Fraxinus pennsylvanica 'Urbdell' (Urbanite) (FRpu)

Common Name: Urbanite green ash New species

Species Description

- Deciduous
- Broadly pyramidal shaped tree with a straight trunk and uniform upright branching
- Greyish-brown bark becoming fissured with age
- Dense pale green foliage changing to yellow/gold in autumn
- · Insignificant flowers in spring
- Considered seedless

Height and width

10 to 15 metres tall by 8 to 10 metres wide

Species origin

Eastern North America

Landscape use

- Available Soil Volume required: ≥45m³
- For use as a street tree
- Can be used in parks, suburban shopping centres, schools and home gardens
- Should not be planted near nature reserves, creeks or watercourses

Use considerations

- Suitable for Canberra's climate so should perform well in the ACT
- High frost tolerance and moderate drought tolerance
- Suitable for most soils, but dislikes compacted soils
- Medium longevity
- Moderate growth rate
- · Low flammability
- Can be formative pruned to develop a strong structure

Examples in Canberra

Westbourne Woods

Availability

Commercially available

