

Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

Botanical Name: Fraxinus excelsior 'Aurea Pendula' (FRp)

Common Name: Weeping golden ash

Species Description

- Deciduous
- A spreading rounded tree with a pendulous habit
- Lightly fissured grey-brown bark
- Bright green leaves turning goldenyellow in autumn
- Insignificant yellowish-green flowers in spring
- Fruit is a samara

Height and width

7 metres tall by 8 metres wide, but height can vary depending on the height of the grafted material

Species origin

Europe

Landscape use

- Available Soil Volume required: ≥30m³
- Useful as a small ornamental or feature tree in home gardens
- Can be used on well protected sites in parks and commercial areas
- Should not be planted near nature reserves, creeks or watercourses

Use considerations

- Best suited to temperate climates
- High frost and low drought tolerance
- Requires moist conditions and reasonable soil fertility for successful performance
- Medium to long lived
- Moderate growth rate
- Very low flammability
- Can be formative pruned to achieve a small formal specimen tree
- Produces nectar and attracts bees, birds and butterflies

Examples in Canberra

Not known in Canberra in public plantings

Availability

Commercially available, however may require forward ordering

