



Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

Botanical Name: *Prunus campanulata* (Pca)

Common Name: Taiwan flowering cherry

Species Description

- Deciduous
- Small upright rounded tree
- Shiny reddish-brown bark
- Bright green spring leaves turning orange in autumn
- Prolific deep pink-red [campanulate](#) shaped flowers in spring before leaves appear
- Small round cherries

Height and width

5 to 7 metres tall by 5 to 8 metres wide

Species origin

China/Japan/Taiwan

Landscape use

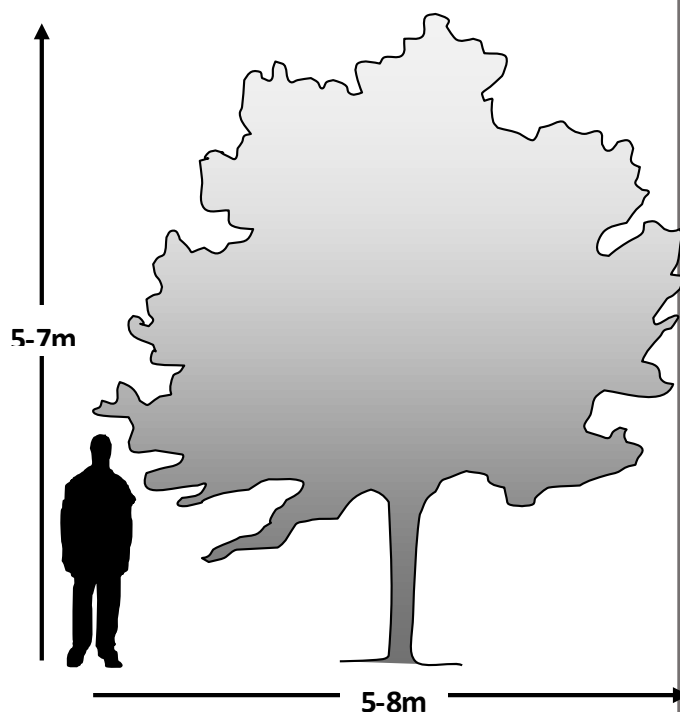
- Available Soil Volume required: $\geq 30\text{m}^3$
- Ideal for planting in older suburbs and cul-de-sacs where branches are less likely to be damaged by vehicles
- Useful for planting in narrower spaces due to its upright habit
- Can be planted in parks and home gardens
- Should not be planted near nature reserves, creeks or watercourses

Use considerations

- Suitable for most areas of Canberra's climate, especially in older areas where it would be sheltered from hot dry winds
- High frost tolerance to minus 10 degrees Celsius and moderate drought tolerance
- Will grow in most well-drained soils
- Prefers full sun or part shade
- [Medium longevity](#)
- Fast growth rate
- Very low flammability
- Produces good nectar; attracts birds and bees
- Can suffer from pear and cherry tree slug, which decimates the leaves
- Formative pruning may be required for service access
- Fruit drop may be a minor nuisance in pedestrian areas

Examples in Canberra

Grevillea Street, O'Connor and Northcote Crescent, Deakin



Availability

Commercially available