**Botanical Name:** *Populus simonii* (POs)

**Common Name:** Chinese poplar, Simon’s poplar

**Species Description**
- Deciduous
- Medium sized upright columnar tree with short branches
- Silvery bark
- Attractive rounded leaves that are deep rich green above and silvery green underneath
- Flowers from October to December
- Fruit ripens from November to January

**Height and width**
15 metres tall by 4 to 5 metres wide

**Species origin**
Central and northern China

**Landscape use**
- Available Soil Volume required: ≥70m³
- Can be used as a street tree, in urban parks and in avenue plantings
- Can be used in commercial precincts and large home gardens
- Should not be planted near nature reserves, creeks, watercourses or floodplains

**Use considerations**
- Grows well in Canberra
- High frost tolerance (to minus 10 degrees Celsius) and good drought tolerance
- Grows in most Canberra soils, preferring well drained soils
- Not suitable for dry sites
- Does not suit shady areas
- Medium to long lived
- Fast growing
- Low flammability
- Little to no suckering habit
- Produces pollen and is wind-pollinated

**Examples in Canberra**
St Edmund’s College grounds, adjoining Canberra Avenue

**Availability**
Commercially available