



Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

Botanical Name: *Eucalyptus maidenii* (Emd)

Common Name: Maiden's blue gum

Species Description

- Evergreen
- Tall multi-branched tree
- White trunk, with long ribbons of bark
- Long, often narrow, dark green [lanceolate](#) leaves
- Large cream flowers from March to September
- Small hemispherical woody fruit

Height and width

25 to 30 metres tall by 15 to 20 metres wide

Species origin

Near coastal ranges in southern New South Wales and Gippsland, Victoria

Landscape use

- Available Soil Volume required: $\geq 100\text{m}^3$
- Can be used in natural parks and road reserves, but should be kept away from nature reserves
- Not suitable for suburban street verges

Use considerations

- Well suited to most sites in Canberra
- High frost tolerance and moderate drought tolerance
- Occurs naturally on harsh stony soils in well drained situations, and adapts well to most situations in Canberra
- [Medium longevity](#), although long lived in nature
- Fast growth rate
- High flammability due to shedding bark
- Prone to fungal disease and scale and attractive to insects when young
- Prone to early limb failure, and formative pruning is required
- Produces seeds and significant nectar
- Flowers are attractive to birds and bees
- An excellent tree for wildlife habitat

Examples in Canberra

Parliamentary Triangle, Westbourne Woods

Availability

Commercially available

