



# Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

## Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

**Botanical Name:** *Prunus cerasifera* 'Oakville Crimson Spire' (Pcos)

**Common Name:** Oakville Crimson Spire cherry plum

**New species**

### Species Description

- Deciduous
- [Fastigate](#)/columnar shape
- Bark is smooth and purple grey
- Dark plum coloured leaves
- Abundance of white flowers in spring
- May produce [globose](#) fruits to 25 millimetres in diameter

### Height and width

6 metres tall by 2 metres wide

### Species origin

Possible east to central Asia, cultivar selected in Australia

### Landscape use

- Available Soil Volume required:  $\geq 15\text{m}^3$
- Suitable for use as a street tree on narrow street verges and in cul-de-sacs
- Suitable for use in urban parks and home gardens
- Good for use in areas with limited space, or for use as a screening plant
- Should not be planted near nature reserves, creeks or watercourses

### Use considerations

- Suitable for Canberra's climate
- High frost tolerance and moderate drought tolerance
- Grows in most well drained Canberra soils
- Flowers best in full sun
- [Medium longevity](#)
- Moderate growth rate
- Low flammability
- Produces good nectar which attracts bees and birds

### Examples in Canberra

Not known in Canberra in public plantings

### Availability

Commercially available

