



Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

Botanical Name: *Tilia x europaea* (Tle)

Common Name: Common Linden, Lime Tree

Species Description

- Deciduous
- Large tree with rounded to elliptical crown
- Finely textured grey-green bark
- Bright green [cordate](#) shaped leaves turning orange to brown in autumn
- Yellow flowers in summer
- Dry, nut-like [drupe](#)

Height and width

18 metres tall by 12 metres wide

Species origin

Europe

Landscape use

- Available Soil Volume required: $\geq 45\text{m}^3$
- Suitable for use as a street and park tree
- Can be used in commercial shopping precincts
- Excellent shade tree

Use considerations

- High frost tolerance (to minus 15 degrees Celsius) and moderate drought tolerance
- Prefers soils with good drainage; will not tolerate poorly drained sites
- Grows well in full sun and semi shade
- [Long lived](#)
- Medium growth rate
- Low flammability
- Produces pollen and fragrant flowers which are an excellent source of nectar for bees and birds

Examples in Canberra

Duntroon, Westbourne Woods

Availability

Commercially available

