## Species Description

**20m**

**12-15m**

* Deciduous
* Large upright tree with long branches
* Attractive smooth light grey/white bark
* Deep green attractive [palmately lobed](http://www.tams.act.gov.au/treeselector/glossary#_Toc338680248) leaves, turning red/yellow in autumn
* Inconspicuous flowers in spring
* Fruit is round and burr-like and borne in clusters

## Height and width

20 metres tall by 12 to 15 metres wide

## Species origin

Natural origin of species plus origin of cultivar

## Landscape use

* Available Soil Volume required: ≥70m3
* Can be used in streets with wide verges, carparks and urban parks, especially where shade is desirable
* Not suitable near powerlines or structures where regular pruning would be required to maintain clearances

## Use considerations

* Well suited to Canberra’s climate
* High frost and drought tolerance
* Adaptable to a range of soils, but grows best on deeper well drained soils
* [Long lived](http://www.tams.act.gov.au/treeselector/glossary#_Toc338680241)
* Moderately fast growth rate
* Low flammability
* Significantly lower susceptibility to Anthracnose than other *Platanus* species
* Vigorous root systems can cause problems, can benefit from a 600 millimetre root barrier to prevent surface roots in shallow soils
* Fruit drop may be a nuisance in pedestrian and paved areas
* Produces significant nectar and significant pollen which attract bees

## Examples in Canberra

London Circuit, Civic and The Lawns, Manuka Shops

## Availability

Commercially available