## Species Description

**18m**

**12-15m**

* Deciduous
* Large upright tree with long branches
* Attractive mottled brown-grey-green bark
* Bright green [palmately lobed](http://www.tams.act.gov.au/treeselector/glossary#_Toc338680248) foliage with deep [sinuses](http://www.tams.act.gov.au/treeselector/glossary#_Toc338680262), turning yellow in autumn
* Inconspicuous flowers in spring
* Fruit is round and burr-like and borne in clusters

## Height and width

18 metres tall by 12 to 15 metres wide

## Species origin

Mediterranean region of south-east Europe and western Asia

## Landscape use

* Available Soil Volume required: ≥70m3
* Excellent park and shade tree, and can be used in streets, plazas and carparks where appropriate space is available

## Use considerations

* Well suited to Canberra’s climate
* High frost and drought tolerance
* Has performed well in Canberra on a variety of 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
* Fruit drop may be a nuisance in pedestrian and paved areas
* Vigorous root systems can cause problems, can benefit from a 600 millimetre root barrier to prevent surface roots in shallow soils
* Produces significant nectar and significant pollen which attract bees

## Examples in Canberra

Curtin Place, Curtin

## Availability

Commercially available