

Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

Botanical Name: *Ulmus parvifolia* 'Yarralumla Clone' (Upy)

Common Name: Yarralumla Chinese elm

Species description

- Deciduous
- A broad weeping form of *Ulmus parvifolia*
- Attractive peeling bark
- Small glossy green leaves turning yellow in autumn
- Small flowers in autumn
- Fruit are small [samaras](#)

Height and width

15 metres tall by 12 to 15 metres wide

Species origin

China, Korea, Japan and North Vietnam; cultivar selected by Yarralumla Nursery in Canberra

Landscape use

- Available Soil Volume required 68m³
- Suitable for street tree plantings, wide verges and formal plantings
- Suitable for use in urban parks
- Can be used in commercial shopping precincts
- Requires a minimum clearance of 6 metres from buildings

Use considerations

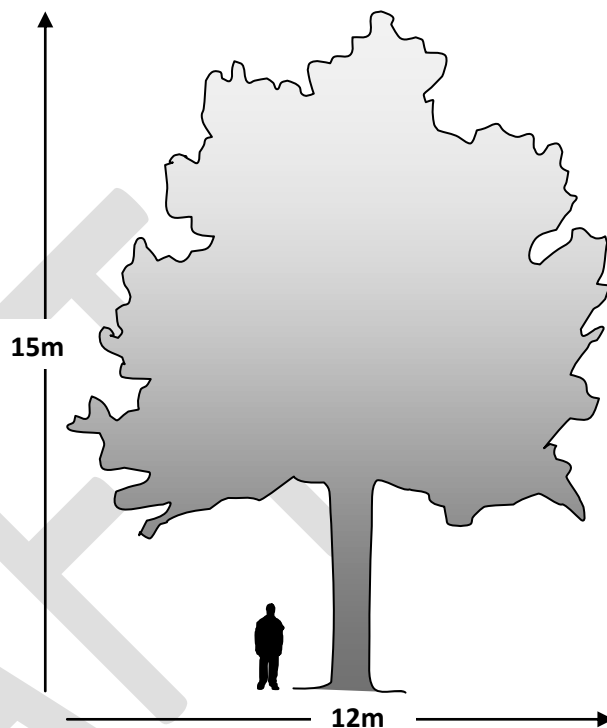
- Well suited to the Canberra climate
- High frost tolerance and moderate drought tolerance after establishment period
- Has grown well in a range of Canberra soils and locations
- Tolerant of urban conditions
- [Medium to long lived](#)
- Can have a slow establishment period
- Low flammability
- Pruning can be required to develop a single strong leader

Examples in Canberra

Carrington Street, Deakin (on the ACT Tree Register) and Musgrave Street, Yarralumla

Availability

Commercially available; Yarralumla Nursery



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