

Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

Botanical Name: *Allocasuarina glauca* (ALg)

Common Name: grey buloke, swamp oak

Species description

- Evergreen
- Elliptical, sometimes open crown
- Grey to light brown bark
- Pendulous bluish-green foliage
- Flowers from September to October
- Cones to 2 centimetres long

Height and width

12 to 15 metres tall by 8 metres wide

Species origin

Queensland and New South Wales

Landscape use

- Available Soil Volume required 19m³
- Suitable for use as an ornamental feature in urban parks and in commercial areas
- Can be used for windbreaks and avenues
- Suitable for use in home gardens
- Requires a minimum clearance of 5 metres from buildings

Use considerations

- Suitable for Canberra's climate
- High frost and drought tolerance
- Prefers moist soils, although will grow in most Canberra soils
- [Medium longevity](#)
- Fast growing
- Reasonably high flammability
- Fruit provides seed for food for wildlife
- Has the potential for roots to sucker

Examples in Canberra

City Walk, Civic Centre

Availability

Commercially available



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Government

Territory and Municipal Services