

# Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

## Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

**Botanical Name:** *Lagerstroemia fauriei* 'Kiowa' (LAK)

**Common Name:** Kiowa crepe myrtle

New Design Standards Species

### Species description

- Deciduous
- Vase shaped, becoming rounded with age
- Cinnamon coloured bark peeling in strips
- Glossy green foliage, becoming orange to yellow in winter
- Large [panicles](#) of showy white flowers
- Insignificant capsules

### Height and width

9 to 10 metres tall by 8 metres wide

### Species origin

Japan, with the cultivar bred in the USA

### Landscape use

- Available Soil Volume required 19m<sup>3</sup>
- Can be used as a street tree on wide verges, in parks and in commercial shopping centres
- Suitable for use in home gardens
- Requires a minimum clearance of 5 metres from buildings

### Use considerations

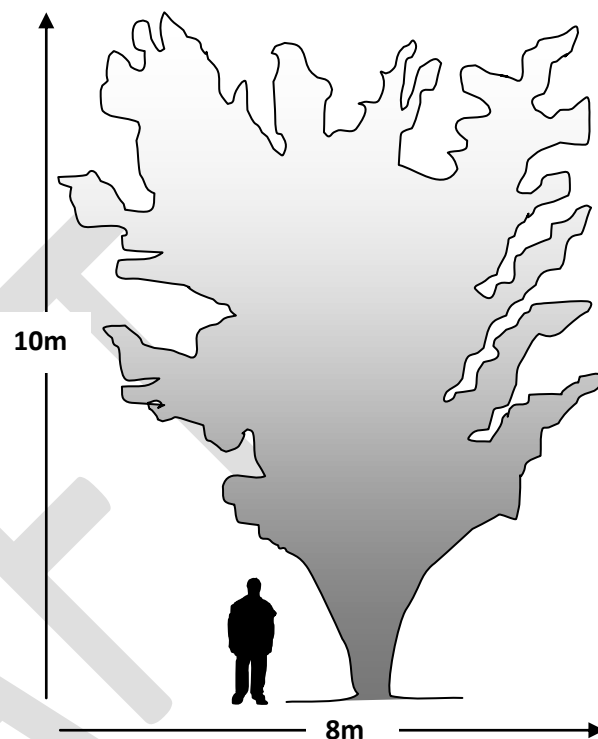
- Suitable for Canberra's climate
- High frost and drought tolerance
- Suits most soils, but prefers well drained conditions
- [Medium longevity](#)
- Moderate growth rate
- Low flammability
- Highly resistant to powdery mildew

### Examples in Canberra

Not known in Canberra in public plantings

### Availability

Commercially available



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