

# Design Standards for Urban Infrastructure

## Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects in Canberra

**Botanical Name:** *Fraxinus excelsior* 'Westhof's Glorie' (on *F. velutina* rootstock) (FRew)

**Common Name:** Westhof's Glorie ash

New Design Standards Species

### Species description

- Deciduous
- Narrow habit when young, becoming broader as it matures
- Smooth greyish- brown bark
- Glossy green foliage turning yellow in autumn
- Insignificant flowers
- Fruit is a [samara](#)

### Height and width

15 metres tall by 8 metres wide

### Species origin

Europe, from a clone originating in the 1950s

### Landscape use

- Available Soil Volume required 19m<sup>3</sup>
- Useful as a street tree, in parks and as a specimen tree
- Potentially too large for the average urban garden
- Requires a minimum clearance of 6 metres from buildings

### Use considerations

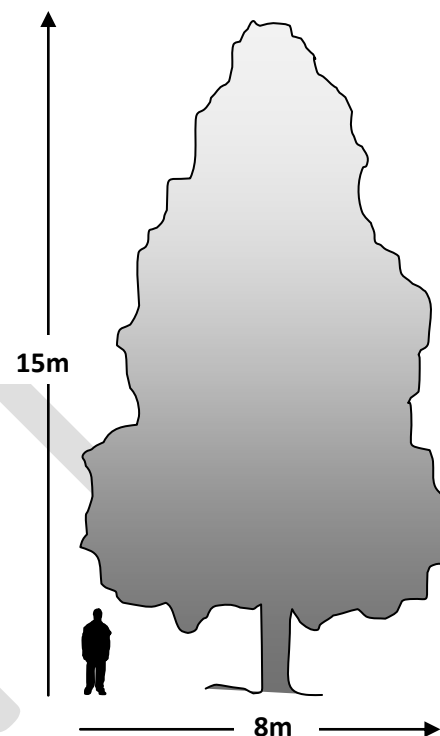
- High frost tolerance and high drought tolerance
- Suitable for cold, exposed sites
- Thrives in most soils, and the *Fraxinus velutina* rootstock should make it more suitable to drier soils
- [Medium to long lived](#)
- Fast growing tree under ideal conditions
- Low flammability
- Likely to be affected by Ash Whitefly, scale, aphids and subsequently Honeydew and Sooty mould

### Examples in Canberra

Not known in Canberra public plantings

### Availability

Commercially available but may require forward ordering, particularly to ensure *Fraxinus velutina* rootstock is used



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