

Brachychiton rupestris

(Queensland Bottle Tree)

General its a small tree with a large swollen trunk and with a conical canopy. The leaves are dissected looks like fingers. The tree is partly deciduous. The creamy colored bell shaped flowers appear in the summer time. Has a large showy fruit. It can tolerate moderate salt, drought and even slight frost. Usually it is used as specimen tree. Give a good space to grow.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Arbre bouteille d'Australie

Arabic Name: شجرة الزجاج

Pronunciation: brak-ee-KY-ton rue-PES-tris

Plant Type: Tree

Origin: Queensland, New South Wales

Heat Zones: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Hardiness Zones: 9, 10, 11, 12

Uses: Specimen, Shade, Street

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Slow

Tree Shape: Round, Spreading

Canopy Symmetry: Irregular

Canopy Density: Medium

Canopy Texture: Medium

Height at Maturity: 15 to 23 m

Spread at Maturity: 8 to 10 meters

Time to Ultimate Height: More than 50 Years

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Leaf Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate
Leaf Venation: Pinnate
Leaf Persistence: Deciduous
Leaf Type: Palmately Compound
Leaf Blade: 10 - 20
Leaf Shape: Ovate
Leaf Margins: Entire
Leaf Textures: Glossy
Leaf Scent: No Fragrance
Color(growing season): Blue-Green
Color(changing season): Yellow

Flower

Flower Showiness: True
Flower Size Range: 0 - 1.5
Flower Type: Panicle
Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)
Flower Scent: No Fragrance
Flower Color: Yellow, White
Seasons: Spring, Summer

Trunk

Trunk Has Crownshaft: False
Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally resists breakage
Number of Trunks: Single Trunk
Trunk Esthetic Values: Showy, Fissured

Fruit

Fruit Type: Follicle
Fruit Showiness: True
Fruit Size Range: 7 - 10
Fruit Colors: Brown
Seasons: Spring, Summer

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Fruit Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: No

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements:

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full

Management

Toxity: No

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: Yes

Pruning Requirement: No pruning at all

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: Yes

Surface Rooting: Yes

Life Span: More than 50

Diseases: Root rot

Edible Parts: None

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting

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