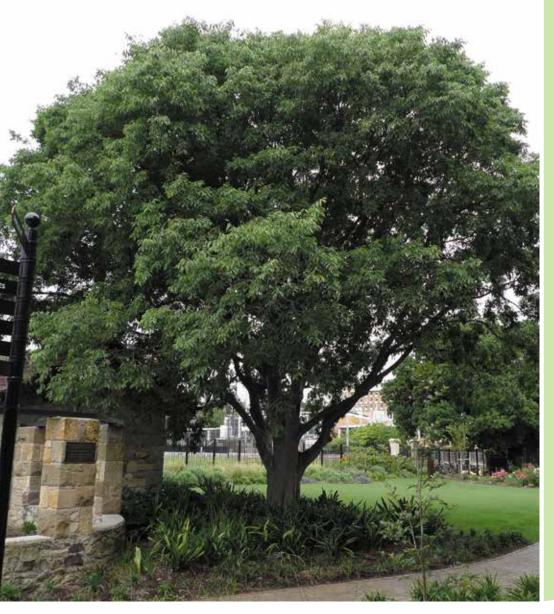
SPECIES DESCRIPTION

Celtis australis

(European Nettle Tree)







Notes

Requires formative pruning program to develop good structure.

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Above: Detail of foliage and fruit, detail of bark

Origin	Southern Europe North Africa, and Asia Minor.
Habit	Moderate to slow growing. Broad-domed, spreading branches. Typical height: 10-15 metres.Typical width: 6-12 metres.
Description	A medium deciduous tree with smooth grey bark. Alternating leaves are narrow and sharp-toothed on margins. Dark green and rough above, pubescent, grey-green below. Foliage turns yellow in autumn. Small, green flowers, either singly or in small clusters followed by a small, dark-purple berry-like drupe.
Tolerances	High drought tolerance.
Site requirements:	Adapts to most soils. Prefers light well-drained, sandy, and loamy soils, including those nutritionally poor; it can tolerate drought but not shade.