

FACT SHEET

ANGOPHORA COSTATA – ‘SMOOTH – BARKED APPLE’



Example at Maturity



Foliage

Origin: Occurs from South Queensland to New South Wales on coastal heaths and open woodland.

Habit: Large evergreen tree. Though form may vary, generally occurs as densely foliated with a broad domed crown. A fast growing species that can attain dimensions of 15-18 x 10- 13 at maturity over a 40 year period

Description: Young leaves appear reddish, maturing to mid – green. Flowers are creamy – white appearing in December to January; very attractive. Bark smooth rusty – red, also very attractive.

Tolerances: An adaptable species, it is highly tolerant of drought though sensitive to waterlogging. Prefers full sun. Generally free of serious pests and diseases.

Notes: Formative prune to develop strong structure. A very handsome tree for urban areas. Suitable for planting under powerlines as it responds well to pruning.

References: Kellow, J. (Ed) (1994) *Landscape plant manual: Vol 1*, V.C.A.H Burnley College, Australia
<http://www.metrotrees.com.au/treehandbook/page-listings/angophora-costata.html>