

Ghost Gum (Common Name)

Corymbia papuana (Scientific Name)



PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Canopy potential: 20' – 35' wide

Annual Growth Rate: 36"

Powerline Friendly: 35' – 50' from base

Root Damage Potential: Moderate

Leaves: Grey green to light green lanceolate leaves tapering to a tip.

Flowers: Small white summer flowers, inconspicuous.



ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Water Use: Low

Edible Fruit Producing: No

Allergenic: Low

BVOC Emissions: High

Sonoran Desert Native: No

Invasive Species: No



Tree Care: Plant in full sun. Tolerant in most soils. Drought tolerant, so watering is not necessarily needed. Elevate the base when pruning.

Ecosystem Services: Honeydew from under the bark is edible; infusion of bark has been drunk as treatment for colds and to bathe sore eyes; Kino resin from the bark can be taken internally for treatment for dysentery or used as mouthwash; applied externally it can be used to treat cuts and skin problems.