

Trees of West Torrens

Tuckeroo

Botanical name	Cupaniopsis anacardioides
Family	Sapindaceae
Mature size	5m - 8m high 5m - 7m spread
Trunk girth	250mm - 280mm
Flowers	✓
Fruit/Seeds	✓

Description

In Adelaide, the tuckeroo reaches approximate a height of 5m to 8m and a spread of 5m to 7m after 20 years.

This Australian native feature tree has a rounded shape and evergreen foliage. Its roots are non-invasive making it a popular choice for council gardens. Tuckeroo plants establish quickly and live for 50 to 60 years.

Its greenish-white flowers appear from May to June. In spring, bright orange fruit appear. From October to December, dark brown seeds ripen inside the fruit and attract many birds.

Tuckeroos suit sunny to part-shade positions and prefer free draining soil rich in organic matter. Its normal habitat are the rainforests of Queensland and northern New South Wales.

With mulch and regular watering, this tree is established at around 12 weeks. When pruned regularly the tuckeroo has a dense rounded growth habit.



An example of the tuckeroo as a street tree in West Torrens can be found on Corso Avenue, Lockleys - planted in 2004.



Tree facts



A mature, healthy tuckeroo tree at **8 metres** tall:

51 of these trees provide enough oxygen for one person for a year.

Provides **28m²** of canopy shade, equal to the shade of **9** beach umbrellas.

Removes **97 grams** of harmful air pollution every year.

Disclaimer: This information is specific to the climate and soil types of Adelaide. Tree facts from iTree.

