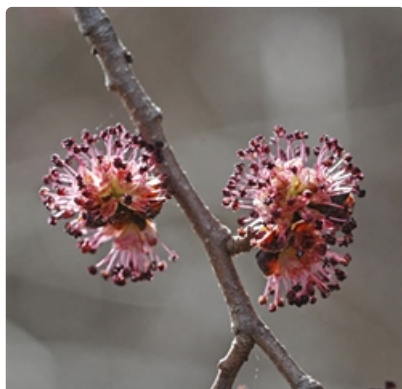


Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Male flowers. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Cotter River, ACT



Seeds. Photographer Michael Bedingfield, ACT



Leafy stem. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Molonglo River, ACT



Tree. Photographer Michael Bedingfield, ACT

Common name

English Elm

Family

Ulmaceae

Where found

Garden **escape**. Widespread, mainly Sydney area, tablelands, ACT, and Western Slopes.

Notes

Introduced deciduous tree to 40 m tall, suckers present. Bark dark brown, rough, fissured. Young stems zig-zagging, and hairy, sometimes with irregular corky growths. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 4–9 cm long, margins wavy, upper surface dull, dark green, and rough; tips abruptly pointed; bases **cordate** on one side; margins shallowly toothed, **veins** 10–13. Flowers dark pink to red, with 0 **petals**, **calyx** deeply lobed with 4–8 lobes about 3 mm long. Flowers produced before the leaves, in clusters of 3–15-flowers. Seeds more or less flat, round, 10–17 mm wide, with a single broad **wing** all round. Flowers winter–spring.

In Victoria, seeds usually **sterile**, most populations being formed by suckering plants growing from nearby parent trees.

VICFLORA description: <https://vicflora.rbg.vic.gov.au/flora/taxon/19baa3b5-a3d4-4ebc-a1f8-bd7ec8d97b3b> (accessed 3 May2021)

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