

Botanical Name: Eucalyptus erythrocorys

Common Name: Red-cap Gum

Type of Plant: dicot: tree Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape small tree either single or multi-trunked; tends to be
sprawling and somewhat open -- smooth white trunk

Height 10-30' Spread 10-20' Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun; performs poorly in shade

Soil performs well in well-drained soils

Hardiness some frost (zones 15-17, 20-24)

Morphology:

Leaves pinnate, alternate -- leaves 4-7" long falcate -- thick,
glossy, dark rich green

Flowers spectacular, bright yellow flowers made of bushy stamened -
opercula are bright red, 1/2" across

Fruit cone-shaped capsule 1/2" across

Propagation: seed

Usage: small accent tree or large shrub used for spectacular
flower display, blooms nearly year-round

Landscape Care:

Watering tolerates heavy watering in good soils--needs good drainage

Fertilizing balanced in spring as needed

Pruning head up, select single leader if used as a tree

Pests/Diseases none major -- twig borers, chlorosis in heavy soils

Special Conditions

Origin: Australia Family: Myrtaceae