

Botanical Name: Pittosporum undulatum

Common Name: Victorian box

Type of Plant: dicot: tree/shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape an upright to spreading, single or multi-trunked plant,
with the branching pattern forming a dome-shaped canopy

Height 15-25' (40') Spread 2/3 to equal Growth Rate mod-rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full or partial sun

Soil prefers well-draining soils of neutral pH

Hardiness some frost (zones 14-27,21-24); thrives in mild coast

Morphology:

Leaves pinnate, alternate (often whorled at branch tips), oblong-
lanceolate or elliptic; 2-6" long, with undulate margins; dark green, shiny

Flowers creamy white, fragrant, 1/2" diameter, in terminal
clusters; spring

Fruit a capsule: round, woody, yellow orange when mature

Propagation: seed, semi-hardwood cuttings

Usage: if developed as a tree, the plant is used mostly for
shade, or accent (form, foliage); background screens, hedges, windbreak; lawn
or street tree; has shallow, invasive roots

Landscape Care:

Watering regular is preferred; the plant is drought-tolerant
after established

Fertilizing balanced in spring, plus iron to correct chlorosis

Pruning to shape desired; head high when young

Pests/Diseases aphids, sooty mold, scale

Special Conditions

Origin: Australia Family: Pittosporaceae