

Botanical Name: Acacia saligna

Common Name: Willow acacia

Type of Plant: dicot: tree Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape upright, oval to rounded tree. Graceful weeping branches
with long narrow leaves - leaves somewhat larger during juvenile growth

Height 10' - 20' Spread 15' -25' Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors prefers full sun

Soil prefers a well-drained soil - keep fairly dry

Hardiness some frost (zones 14-24); does well in most warm climates

Morphology:

Leaves phyllodia 6-8" long, 1/2" - 3/4" wide, alternate on stems -
dark green, glabrous

Flowers March, rounded, yellow puffs to 3/4" diameter

Fruit brown pod 3" long, 1/2" wide

Propagation: seed

Usage: quick screen, background plant or informal hedge - erosion
control; flowers at a young age, so can be effective as a quick, temporary
background

Landscape Care:

Watering keep on the dry side after first year - very short-lived
where watering is heavy

Fertilizing none

Pruning keep to single trunk, stake when young

Pests/Diseases root rot where drainage is poor

Special Conditions

Origin: W. Austral. Family: Fabaceae