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Corymbia citriodora syn. Eucalyptus citriodora

COMMON NAME; Lemon-scented Gum, Lemon-scented Spotted Gum.

FAMILY; Myrtaceae

ORIGIN; Central QLD

HEIGHT; To 40mt but usually smaller to approx. 20-30mt.

WIDTH; 10-25mt

HABIT; A tall graceful tree with a smooth grey (sometimes pinkish) bark, straight trunk, symmetrical crown with sparse pendulous foliage. Fast growing.

FOLIAGE; Evergreen. Pale to mid-green leaves, not lustrous, approx. 12-20cm long and 1-2cm wide, strongly lemon-scented when bruised or disturbed by wind.

FLOWERS; Terminal clusters of 3-8 white flowers approx. 2cm long

FLOWERING SEASON; Mid to late winter.

FRUIT; Capsule 1-2cm long.

CULTURE & USE; Parks, avenues, and roadsides. Minimum natural rainfall 500mm.

PRUNING; Some shaping of young trees may be required to develop a central leader and to thicken growth.

COMMENTS; One of the most beautiful of the Eucalyptus species when well grown. Corymbia citriodora grows best on well-drained soils, it is frost susceptible and protection should be given to young trees. Bark is deciduous during summer and autumn peeling to reveal new smooth pale white, cream, pink or pale blue growth, which matures to a pale grey. One disadvantage is that they may drop large branches during hot weather, so this tree should not be used in car parks or where falling limbs may present problems. Natural rainfall 500mm.

