

Vaderlandswilg (Combretum erythrophyllum)



Combretum erythrophyllum, commonly known as the river bushwillow, is a medium to large-sized, spreading tree found in bush along river banks in southern Africa. It is planted as a shade and ornamental tree in South Africa and the United States, and is propagated by seed.

Rating: Not Rated Yet

Price

Sales price R 65,00

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Bark and wood

The bark is a smooth pale gray or yellow brown that flakes with age to expose pale bark patches with large lumps (note: not galls) which sometimes occur on older trunks and main branches. The coarse wood shows little distinction between sapwood and heartwood.

Leaves

The leaves are simple, subopposite or in whorls of three, and elliptic with tapering base and apex (50 x 20 mm). The upper surface is usually without hairs, while the under surface has hairs. The petiole is short and stipules are absent. Inconspicuous scales cover both surfaces. The leaf's midrib and lateral veins are very conspicuous. It is deciduous to semi-deciduous, and the leaves turn yellow and red in autumn (the specific name *erythrophyllum* means red leaf).

Flowers

The cream or yellowish, bisexual flowers are produced in dense, rounded axillary spikes, about 10 cm in diameter and up to 3 cm long. They appear after the first leaves in spring or early summer.

Fruit

The 4-winged fruit are yellow to brown in colour and 10 to 15 mm in length.

For more information, find source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Combretum_erythrophyllum

Reviews

There are yet no reviews for this product.