

# Featured Tree

## Melia azedarach (White Cedar)



### Notes

A handsome tree, berry persistence amongst winter tracery adds an element of interest, though eventual fruit drop can be a problem. Germinates readily in the right conditions, is a weed species in the northern states. Requires formative pruning.



*Above: Glossy, green bi-pinnate foliage and purplish flowers.*

*Left: White cedar in street showing the layered, broad, domed canopy.*

<b>Origin</b>	Queensland and New South Wales.
<b>Habit:</b>	Small deciduous tree. Wide spreading, broad domed canopy that develops a marked layered appearance. Fast growth rate, mature size ranges between 6-10m high x 5-8m wide.
<b>Description:</b>	Leaves bipinnate, large, glossy, and fresh green coloured. Bark a dark brown with shallow fissures when young becoming grey-brown and furrowed with age. Flowers purplish mauve borne in diffuse panicles in spring. Yellow berries persist during the winter.
<b>Tolerances:</b>	Adapts to most soils. Moderate waterlogging and drought tolerance. Not seriously affected by pest or disease.
<b>Root space:</b>	Based on mature size tree would require approximately 50m <sup>2</sup> area or 30m <sup>3</sup> root volume (crown projection method).
<b>Availability:</b>	Common.