

Red Cottonwood

The Red Cottonwood is a hardy tropical tree with large, attractive yellow flowers that have a deep crimson centre that contrasts against the tree's deep, dark green leaves. The tree and its feature flowers provide vibrant colour to local streets with red heart-shaped leaves offering a striking display. Often used as a hedge or screening plant, they react well to pruning and will grow back thick and lush.

The fresh bark produces a slimy sap that has antiseptic properties and the bark can be shredded to make a kind of string.



You can see examples of Red Cottonwood planted at 42 Baronbali Street, Dundas.



<i>a</i>	Botanic name	Hibiscus tiliaceus
	Origin	Australia, South-East Asia and South Pacific
	Typical height	8m
	Typical width	5m
	Leaf	Dark green and red heart-shaped
	Bark	Woody, light brown
	Flowers	Yellow funnel form
	Fruit Pod	Brown capsule

