



Canopy Tree Guide

Clause 55 Standard B2-7 Reference

This guide has been developed to provide a consistent and transparent approach to calculating canopy cover under the Victorian State Government's new Clause 55 Standard B2-7 for Tree Canopy. Its purpose is to ensure fairness in planning assessments by standardising the expected mature dimensions of commonly used tree species. By reducing ambiguity and avoiding unrealistic expectations under prevailing site conditions within our municipality, this guide helps to achieve meaningful greening outcomes¹.

This document is maintained as a [live resource](#) and will be updated monthly until the list is deemed comprehensive. It does not represent a complete list of accepted tree species. Council welcomes and encourages applicants to propose unlisted species for review.

Botanical Name	Common Name	Mature Height (m)	Mature Width (m)
<i>Acacia cognata</i>	River Wattle Tree	6	6
<i>Acacia dealbata</i>	Silver Wattle	6	4
<i>Acacia implexa</i>	Lightwood Wattle	7	5
<i>Acacia mearnsii</i>	Black Wattle	8	5
<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	Blackwood	12	6
<i>Acer palmatum</i> 'Senkaki'	Japanese Maple	6	4
<i>Acer truncatum</i> x <i>A. platanooides</i>	Norwegian Sunset Maple	12	6
<i>Acer freemanii</i>	Maple	10	4

<i>Agathis australis</i>	Kauri	20	10
<i>Agonis flexuosa</i>	Willow Myrtle	10	6
<i>Agonis flexuosa</i> 'Lemon & Lime'	Willow Myrtle	8	8
<i>Allocasuarina littoralis</i>	Black She-Oak	8	4
<i>Allocasuarina verticillata</i>	Drooping She-Oak	8	6
<i>Angophora costata</i>	Smooth-Barked Apple	12	12
<i>Banksia integrifolia</i>	Coastal Banksia	8	5
<i>Betula pendula</i>	Silver Birch	8	4
<i>Brachychiton populneus x acerifolius</i>	Kurrajong Hybrid	6	4
<i>Brachychiton populneus x acerifolius</i> 'Jerilderie Red'	Jerilderie Red Kurrajong	10	6
<i>Corymbia citriodora</i> 'Scentuous'	Dwarf Lemon Scented Gum	7	4
<i>Corymbia citriodora</i>	Lemon Scented Gum	12	12
<i>Corymbia eximia</i>	Dwarf Yellow Bloodwood	10	6
<i>Corymbia ficifolia</i>	Flowering Gum	8	6
<i>Corymbia maculata</i> 'Lowanna'	Spotted Gum Lowanna	10	7
<i>Eucalyptus cephalocarpa</i>	Mealy Stringy Bark	10	8

<i>Eucalyptus pauciflora</i>	Snow Gum	10	6
<i>Eucalyptus pauciflora</i> 'Little Snowman'	Little Snowman Snow Gum	7	4
<i>Eucalyptus radiata</i>	Narrow-Leafed Peppermint	12	8
<i>Eucalyptus viminalis</i> subsp. <i>viminalis</i>	Manna Gum	15	15
<i>Eucalyptus viminalis</i> subsp. <i>pyroriana</i>	Gippsland Manna Gum	10	6
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	Golden Honeylocust 'Sunburst'	8	8
<i>Hymenosporum flavum</i>	Australian Frangipani	8	4
<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Jacaranda	8	6
<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> x <i>fauriei</i> 'Biloxi'	Crepe Myrtle (Biloxi)	6	4
<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> x <i>fauriei</i> 'Natchez'	Crepe Myrtle (Natchez)	6	4
<i>Melaleuca lanceolata</i>	Moonah	7	7
<i>Pistacia chinensis</i>	Chinese Pistachio	8	6
<i>Pyrus betulaefolia</i> 'Southworth Dancer'	Birch-Leaved Pear (Southworth Dancer)	7	5
<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> 'Aristocrat'	Ornamental Pear (Aristocrat)	10	7
<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> x <i>P. betulaefolia</i> 'Edgell'	Ornamental Pear (Edgell)	8	6
<i>Tristanopsis laurina</i>	Kanooka	6	4

<i>Tristanopsis laurina</i> 'Luscious'	Luscious Water Gum	8	4
<i>Ulmus parvifolia</i> 'Burnley Select'	Chinese Elm	9	7
<i>Waterhousea floribunda</i> 'Whisper'	Weeping Lilly Pilly	8	5

¹ Council's estimate for mature tree height and canopy width are based on local growing conditions and relevant geological factors, including climate and soil type. The estimates also account for cultural and practical constraints that influence growth and performance in multi-dwelling urban environments, such as hostile growing conditions (e.g., heat stress, soil compaction, and limited water availability). For deep soil area and minimum plan dimension requirements, refer to Clause 55 Standard B2-7 of the Victorian Planning Scheme.

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