



**FAMILY:** Myrtaceae

**HABIT:** Tall tree to 25 m, with a dense crown and flaky, pale grey bark.

**LEAVES:** Simple, opposite, glabrous, with numerous oil dots of variable sizes.

**FLOWER/FRUITS:** Small white or cream, fluffy flowers are followed by deep red berries containing one cream seed. Fruit matures in summer.

**PROPAGATION:** Fresh seed germinates readily. Soak fruit overnight and remove flesh before sowing.

**LOCAL HABITAT:** Riparian and rainforest areas.

**DISTRIBUTION:** From the Torres Strait Islands to Carmilla also beyond Australia.



**GENERAL:** A good shade tree that needs adequate moisture and some protection while young.

Fruit are eaten by some native fauna.



**References:** Cooper W&W., 2004 *Fruits of the Australian Tropical Rainforest*.