Bottle Tree / Kurrajong (Common Name)

*Brachychiton populneus* (Scientific Name)

**PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Canopy potential: 30’ wide  
Annual Growth Rate: 24”  
Powerline Friendly: 30’ – 50’ from base  
Root Damage Potential: Moderate  
Leaves: Simple and pointed or may be 3-9 lobed.  
Flowers: Ell-shaped flowers are variable in color (pale to pink)

**ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Water Use: Low  
Edible Fruit Producing: No  
Allergenic: Low  
BVOC Emissions: Low  
Sonoran Desert Native: No  
Invasive Species: No  

Tree Care: Plant in full sun, in well-draining, non-rocky soil. In warm weather, deep irrigation is recommended. Fertilizer once every spring is required.

Ecosystem Services: Australian aborigines used as a source of fiber from which to make twine for bandages, nets, and dilly bags, and is still cultivated for fiber. Ground seeds can be used as coffee substitute.