

# PLATANUS X ACERIFOLIA

## London Plane Tree

Botanical name



Common name



### DESCRIPTION

**Typical height:**  
12-14 metres

**Typical width:**  
12-14 metres

**Growth rate:**  
Moderate

**Typical form:**  
Large rounded deciduous tree.

### CHARACTERISTICS

- 3-5 lobed leaf.
- Spherical fruit clusters in 2.
- Feature bark.

### TOLERANCES

- High tolerance to wind and frost.
- Tolerance of pollution, tolerance of difficult soil conditions, good tolerance of compacted sites and tolerance of pruning.

### ORIGIN

Hybrid

### FACTS AND TRIVIA

It is not known how old a London plane may become because none is known to have died of old age. The oldest trees of this species date from first plantings around 1660-80. The tallest London plane has achieved 48.5 metres in height; the tallest London planes in London have reached 30-35 metres.

Due to its tolerances the plane tree is one of the most successful urban trees which have subsequently seen it used extensively around the world.



Large



Deciduous



Feature Bark

