

# River Red Gum

## *Eucalyptus camaldulensis*



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### Description

Typical height:  
15-25 metres

Typical width:  
12-25 metres

Growth rate:  
Moderate

Typical form:  
Broad domed

### Facts and Trivia

The most widespread eucalypt in Australia and the most commonly planted eucalypt outside of Australia.

Easily distinguished from eastern Red Gums (e.g. *E. tereticornis*, *E. blakelyi*) by the very pinched, beaked bud cap.

Is known to hybridise with other gums, e.g. *E. xstudleyensis* (crossed with *E. ovata*) found around Kew, Viewbank, Watsonia, and *E. xoxypoma* (crossed with *E. largiflorens*) around northern/western Vic (Dimboola, Horsham, Keerang).

### Origin

Mainland Australia (seven subspecies), typically along inland rivers and floodplains

### Characteristics

Medium to large evergreen tree. Develops thick trunk with heavy limbs. Greyish trunk with cream, red, or dark-grey patches, irregularly shed, and rough, persistent bark at base. Strongly beaked caps on flower buds; fruits with distinct, projecting valves (usually 4).

### Tolerances

High tolerance of periodic waterlogging.