

Acacia auriculiformis

Botanical Name: *Acacia auriculiformis*

Common Name: Auri

Morphological Characteristics:

Acacia auriculiformis is an evergreen tree that grows between 15–30 m tall, with a trunk up to 12 m long and 50 cm in diameter. The trunk is crooked and the bark vertically fissured. Roots are shallow and spreading. It has dense foliage with an open, spreading crown. Leaves 10–16 cm long and 1.5–2.5 cm wide with 3–8 parallel nerves, thick, leathery and curved. Flowers are 8 cm long and in pairs, creamy yellow and sweet scented. Pods are about 6.5 x 1.5 cm, flat, cartilaginous, glaucous, transversely veined with undulate margins. They are initially straight but on maturity become twisted with irregular spirals. Seeds are transversely held in the pod, broadly ovate to elliptical, about 4–6 x 3–4 mm.



Growing Season and Type:

1. The tree flowers quickly, within 1–2 years. The tiny yellow flowers are fragrant.
2. The pods are first straight or slightly curved but as they ripen, they turn from yellow to brown and curl up, then split open.
3. Tolerate a dry season of 120–240 days. Can be grown with a rotation of 10–12 years.



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1. Flower of *Acacia auriculiformis*
2. Leaf of *Acacia auriculiformis*
3. Tree of *Acacia auriculiformis*