

Grows from a shrub into a small tree with a vase-shaped to round crown, up to about 7 m high. The young twigs are light grey-green. The mature bark turns yellowish brown and peels in fairly long strips. The leaves are dark green and three main veins are visible in the lamina. A purple autumn colour can sometimes be seen. The flowers are white, opening in large panicles in September. Each terminal flower on the main and side shoots of the panicle is surrounded by a wreath of 3 - 6 flowers. The English name 'Seven son flower tree' is derived from this. Through the blossoming period, the white flower crown falls and the calyx extends, turning purple-red over several weeks. This prolongs the tree's decorative value. Tolerates nearly any soil as long as moist but well-drained and adequately fertile.