

Moreton Bay Fig

Ficus macrophylla



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Description

Typical height:
15-20 metres

Typical width:
20-25 metres

Growth rate:
Moderate

Typical form:
Broad-domed

Origin

Northern QLD to southern coast of NSW

Characteristics

Massive trunk with prominent buttressing, bark is grey-brown. large, elliptic, leathery, dark green leaves. The green to purple figs are 2–2.5 cm in diameter.

Tolerances

High tolerance of compacted soils. Can be susceptible to Fig psyllid.

Great mature specimens in Kelly Park, Werribee

Facts and Trivia

Tiny flowers borne inside the figs are pollinated by specialised Fig Wasps.

Highly popular with fruit eating bats, including flying foxes.

Macrophylla meaning 'with large leaves'.

Can develop as epiphytes, growing from the crowns of other trees such as palms or other fig trees.