PLANT FACT SHEET

Koelreuteria paniculata Laxmann

GENUS *Koelreuteria* **FAMILY** Sapindaceae

COMMON NAMES Golden rain tree, China-tree, Pride of India, Varnish-tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Fruit, Leaves

The leafy shoots are eaten.
The berries are roasted and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A deciduous tree. It grows 9-15 m tall. It spreads to 6-9 m tall. The bark is pale brown and develops shallow cracks. The leaves are long with leaflets along the stalk. The leaves are 45 cm long and it can either be lobed or have leaflets. The leaflets are 10 cm long. They have teeth along the edge. They are red when young. They then turn green then yellow. The flowers are small and yellow. They are 1.2 cm across. They occur in sprays. These can be 45 cm long. They are at the ends of shoots. The fruit are bladder like and papery.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It is native to China and Korea. It grows in hot, dry river valleys. It is more cold tolerant than Koelreuteria elegans. It suits hardiness zones 6-10. Kyneton Botanical Gardens. Arboretum Tasmania. In Sichuan and Yunnan. National Arboretum Canberra.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from seed.

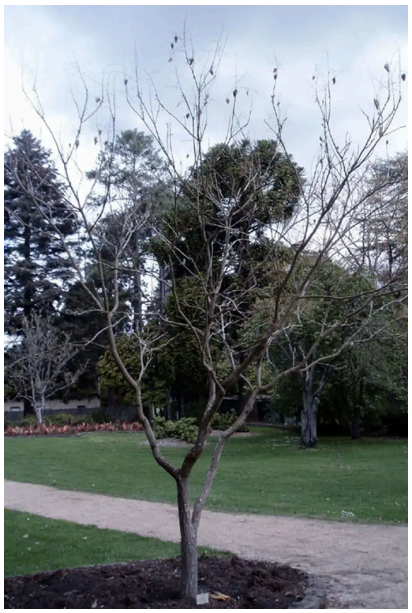
Harvesting and Seed Production

It is fast growing.

NOTES

There are 3 Koelreuteria species. The fruit are used as soap. They are also used in medicine.

PICTURES



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