



PLANT FACT SHEET

Platanus racemosa Nutt.

GENUS *Platanus* FAMILY Platanaceae

COMMON NAMES California sycamore

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Bark

The inner bark is eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 35 m tall. The trunk can be 1 m across. The bark is a patchwork of white and off white colours. The leaves are large and have lobes. The leaves can be 25 cm wide and have 3-5 pointed lobes. The flowering shoots have a few round flower heads 1 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. In the Melbourne Botanical garden.

PICTURES



Credit: Food Plants International (Bruce French)

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