



Magnolia grandiflora 18-20cm

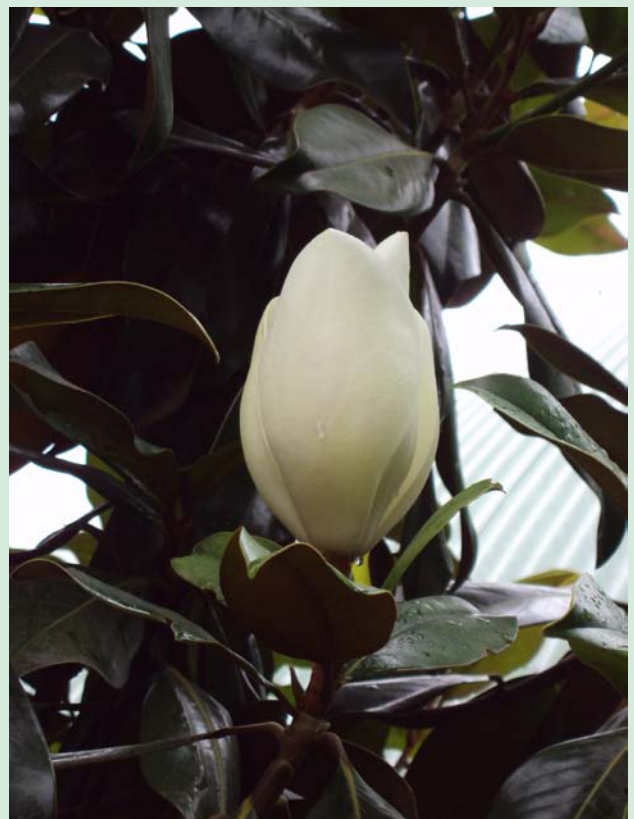
Native to the southern United States of America *Magnolia grandiflora* is a large, rounded evergreen shrub or tree with dense, glossy dark green, leathery oblong-elliptic leaves, often rusty brown beneath.

The gloriously large creamy cup shaped flowers of up to 25cm across which have a complex lemon citronella scented fragrance appear in late summer and look magnificent against the dark background of the leaves. These are followed by the rose-coloured fruit up to 10cm long and 5cm wide.

It is often recommended for seashore plantings in areas that are windy but have little salt spray. A sheltered position is preferred to avoid winter damage to the thick foliage, however this species will take any moist, well drained soil, even chalk is tolerated.

Plant Profile

Name:	<i>Magnolia grandiflora</i>
Common Name:	Bull Bay
Family:	Magnoliaceae
Height:	Can grow up to 25/30 metres
Width:	Can grow over 8 metres
Demands:	Full sun or partial shade, avoid North facing aspects.
Soil:	Well drained but moist sand, chalk, clay or loam
Foliage:	Evergreen
Flower:	Cream



Flower of Magnolia grandiflora



Its common name derives from the leaves being like those of the red bay and its large size.
The timber of the *Magnolia grandiflora* is hard and heavy and has been used commercially to make furniture, pallets and veneer.



Foliage of Magnolia grandiflora



Large feathered Magnolia grandiflora 5/6m



Magnolia grandiflora feathered 3/3.5m