

Castanospermum australe

COMMON NAMES

Bean tree, Moreton Bay bean, Moreton Bay chesnut

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink, Yellow

GENUS

Castanospermum

FAMILY

Fabaceae

AUTHORITY

Castanospermum australe A.Cunn. ex Mudie

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

ORIGIN

Australia

REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Ornamental

TOLERANCES

Cold intolerant

LIFE CYCLE AND DISPERSAL

Long lived tree. Reproduces exclusively by seed. Large, long-lived, and hard-shelled seed is dispersed by gravity and by humans tossing fruits/seeds

ETYMOLOGY

australe: Southern, from the Latin australis

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/castanospermum-australe/>

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