

# Catalpa bignonioides

## COMMON NAMES

Indian bean tree

## BIOSTATUS

Exotic

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## CATEGORY

Vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

## FLOWER COLOURS

White, Yellow

## GENUS

Catalpa

## FAMILY

Bignoniaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Catalpa bignonioides* Walter

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## YEAR NATURALISED

1992

## ORIGIN

S.E. U.S.A.

## REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Horticultural

## LIFE CYCLE AND DISPERSAL

Long-lived tree. Reproduces by seed. Dispersed by gravity and wing, also possibly by water

## ETYMOLOGY

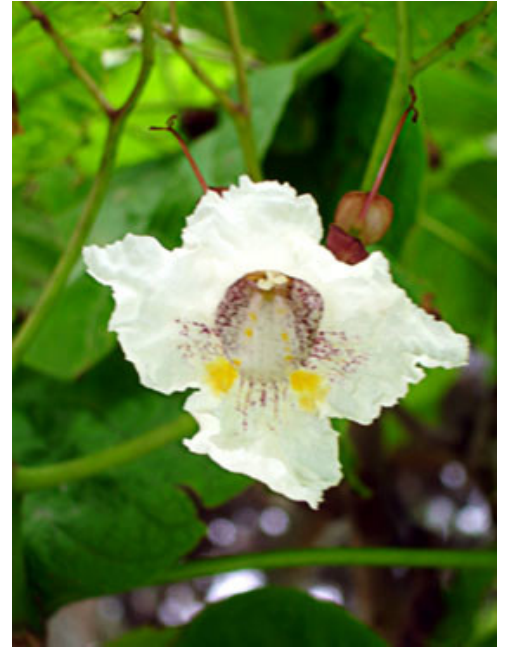
**catalpa**: From the North American Indian name for *C. bignonioides*

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/catalpa-bignonioides/>

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