

Ulmus ×hollandica

COMMON NAME

suckering elm

FAMILY

Ulmaceae

AUTHORITY

Ulmus ×hollandica Mill.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Large deciduous tree up to about 40 m high with grey fissured bark and an invasive suckering habit.

HABITAT

Terrestrial.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Large tree up to about 40 m high with suckering habit, and grey fissured bark. Stems hairy at first but becoming smooth and grey then with thick corky bark. Adult leaves ovate (usually with asymmetric leaf bases) and up to 12 cm long, with obvious lateral veins in 9-14 pairs. Leaves of suckering shoots usually shorter. The fruit are light brown and up to 3 cm long.

SIMILAR TAXA

There are several cultivars of hybrid origin, and many other *Ulmus* species in cultivation; occasionally species or cultivars are grafted onto suckering elm as rootstock. Mature leaves are required for identification. The adult leaves taper to a fine point.

FLOWERING

August, September

FLOWER COLOURS

Green

FRUITING

September, October

YEAR NATURALISED

1940

ORIGIN

Europe



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Corky branches. Whanganui. Nov 2011. Photographer: Colin C. Ogle, Licence: CC BY-NC.

Reason For Introduction

Ornamental

Reproduction

Seed and suckering

Dispersal

Human mediated

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/ulmus-hollandica/>