

# Mimusops

*Mimusops elengi*  
MIM-you-sops ell-EN-ghee



Category: Large Tree  
(over 10m)

Height: up to 30 metres

Spread: 15 metres



Full sun - part shade



Drought tolerant once established



Tolerates a wide range of soils but prefers rich loam soil



Insect attracting



Traditional use plant

**An evergreen tree with a dense, rounded, spreading crown; slow growing and usually growing from 15 - 30 metres tall in 20 years.**

The trunk is often short and divided into several large main branches, but it is sometimes branchless for up to 15 or even 20 metres. Trees may flower and fruit throughout the year. The fruit can be eaten raw, preserved, or pickled. Yellow when ripe, they have a sweet flavour, similar to dates.

**HOT TIP: The flowers are very aromatic and retain their fragrance for a long time after being dried.**