

**Genus:** *Eucalyptus*  
**Species:** *globulus*  
**Cultivar:**  
**Family:** Myrtaceae

**Common Name:** Blue gum

**Origin:** Australia and Tasmania



Stanford

**Kind of Plant:** Tree

**Seasonal Habit:** Evergreen

**Growth Habit:** Upright

**Height:** 60 to 120 ft.

**Width:** 35 to 50 ft.

**Light Needs:** Sun

**Water Needs:** Drought Tolerant - performs well with no irrigation after first 2 years.

**Special Identifying Features**

**Leaves:** Simple, juvenile leaves: oval, silvery, opposite. Mature leaves: sickle-shaped, alternate, dark green, 6" to 10" long.

**Bark/Twig:** Grey to brown, shredding, falls off in ribbons.

**Flowers:** White to yellowish, single (not in clusters), in winter.

**Fruit:** Whitish large warty seed capsules occur singly, not in clusters.

**Disease(s):**

(Refer to Disease and Pest Control chart for treatments.)

**Pest(s):** Eucalyptus longhorn borer

**Special Points:**

Grows very fast. Too large, messy and brittle for large gardens or city streets. Very common in California. Subject to frost damage. 'Compacta' cultivar is smaller. Frequently used for large scale screening. Considered an invasive pest plant (see California Exotic Pest Plant Council (EPPC) list A-1, [www.caleppc.org](http://www.caleppc.org)). Sometimes planted as a windbreak in agricultural areas.

**Campus Location:** 1) Governor's Ave, 2) Stadium lot, 3) Arboretum, 4) Searsville Road