



Leaving a Legacy with Trees

A guide to choosing the right tree for you in Altona



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The circle of life connects all that has lived to all that is living

One of our first patrons chose to turn his mother's ashes into a Living Legacy Tree. He had kept the ashes for almost a year before he came to us.

He chose a Jacaranda tree which she planted one month before she passed. She loved purple. Every December, her birthday month the tree rains purple flowers.

When he visits the tree he collects some of the seeds with the flowers and replants them around his neighbourhood.

He told me something I'll never forget... He told me "the last gifts my mother gave me was learning to let go, and that life is so precious; not the just good bits- but every single second"

Becoming a tree may not be for everyone, but it is for everyone we leave behind.

Why choosing the right tree is important

The legacy you leave will live on for generations through your tree's unique seeds and seedlings reaching well beyond the lifespan of the original tree.

This book lists some the trees and their seasonal attributes that suit the Victorian and South Australian climate and soil types.



For every Legacy Tree planted, we donate the planting of 200 additional trees in your honor to aid reforestation. Your Legacy story, tree and forest are recorded in the iTunes Living Legacy App.

Flame Tree

Has Partly Deciduous foliage.

Height: 18 metres. Width: 9 metres.

Longevity up to 150 years.

Leaves Ovate to Palmately Lobed, Glossy

Medium Green, Partly Deciduous.

Flowers. Orange or Red.

Flowers in Spring or Summer.

The Flame Tree is one of the brightest flowering trees on the planet.



Native Frangipani

Has Evergreen foliage.

Height: 6-10 metres.

Width: 4-6 metres.

Longevity up to 150 years.

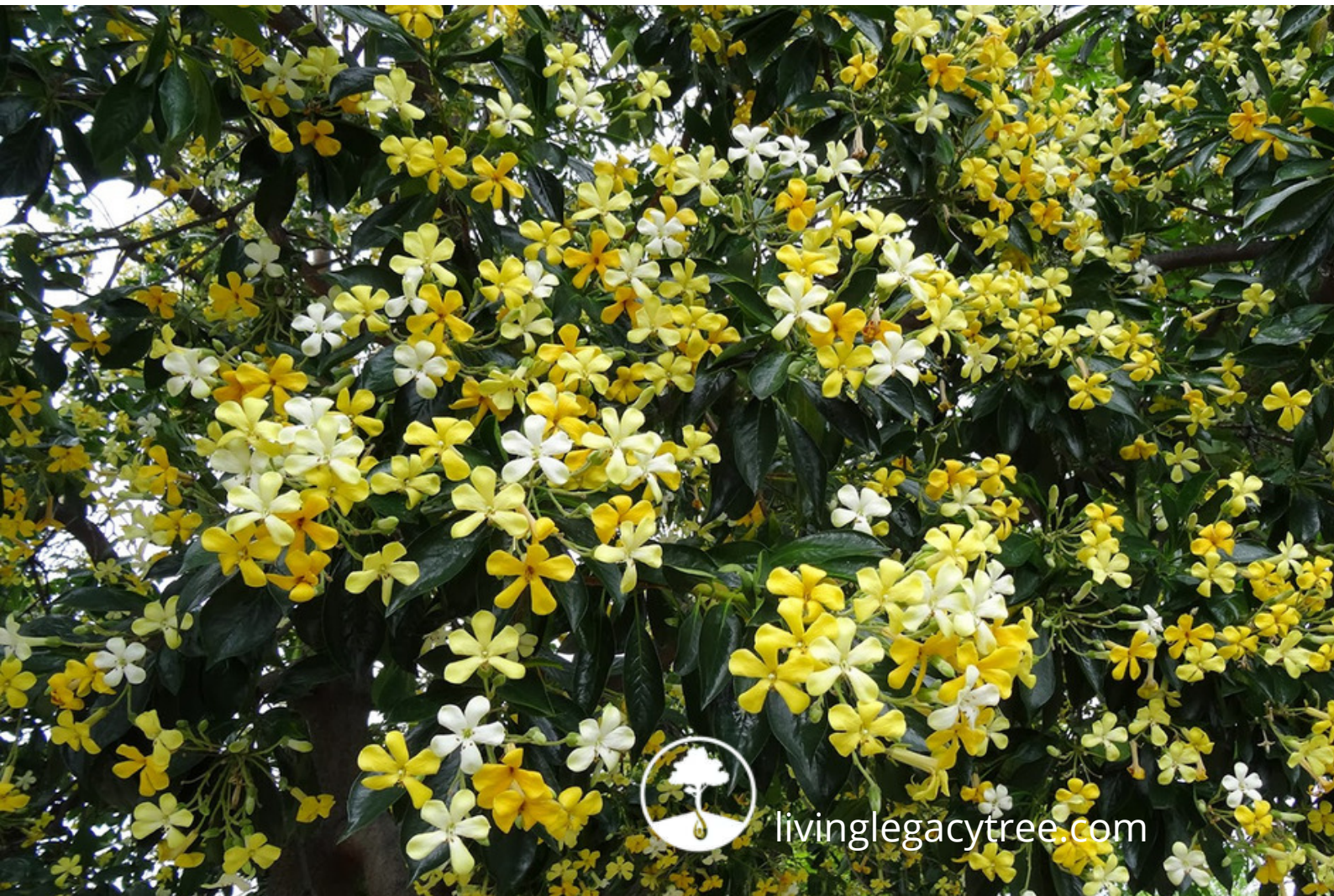
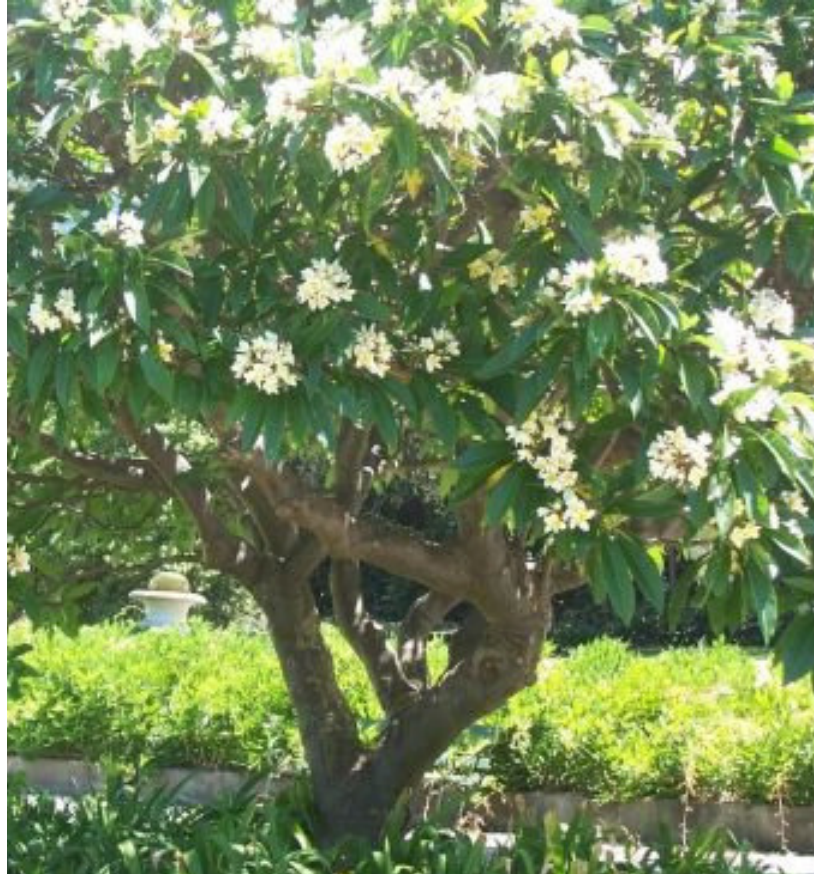
Leaves Lanceolate to Oblong, Glossy

Dark Green, No Change, Evergreen.

Flowers. Fragrant Yellow.

Flowers in Spring or Summer.

Resembling a star, the frangipani flower symbolises divine connection and joy.



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Crepe Myrtle

Has Deciduous foliage.

Height: 7 metres

Width: 7 metres

Longevity up to 150 years.

Leaves Oval, Bronze or Dark Green, Red, Gold, Orange or Multicolored, Deciduous.

Flowers. Lavender, Pink, Red, Rose or White.

Flowers in Summer.

Sacred to Aphrodite, the Myrtle is a symbol of love and immortality. When these trees are in full bloom they radiate colour.



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Apple Tree

Has Deciduous foliage.

Height: 12 metres.

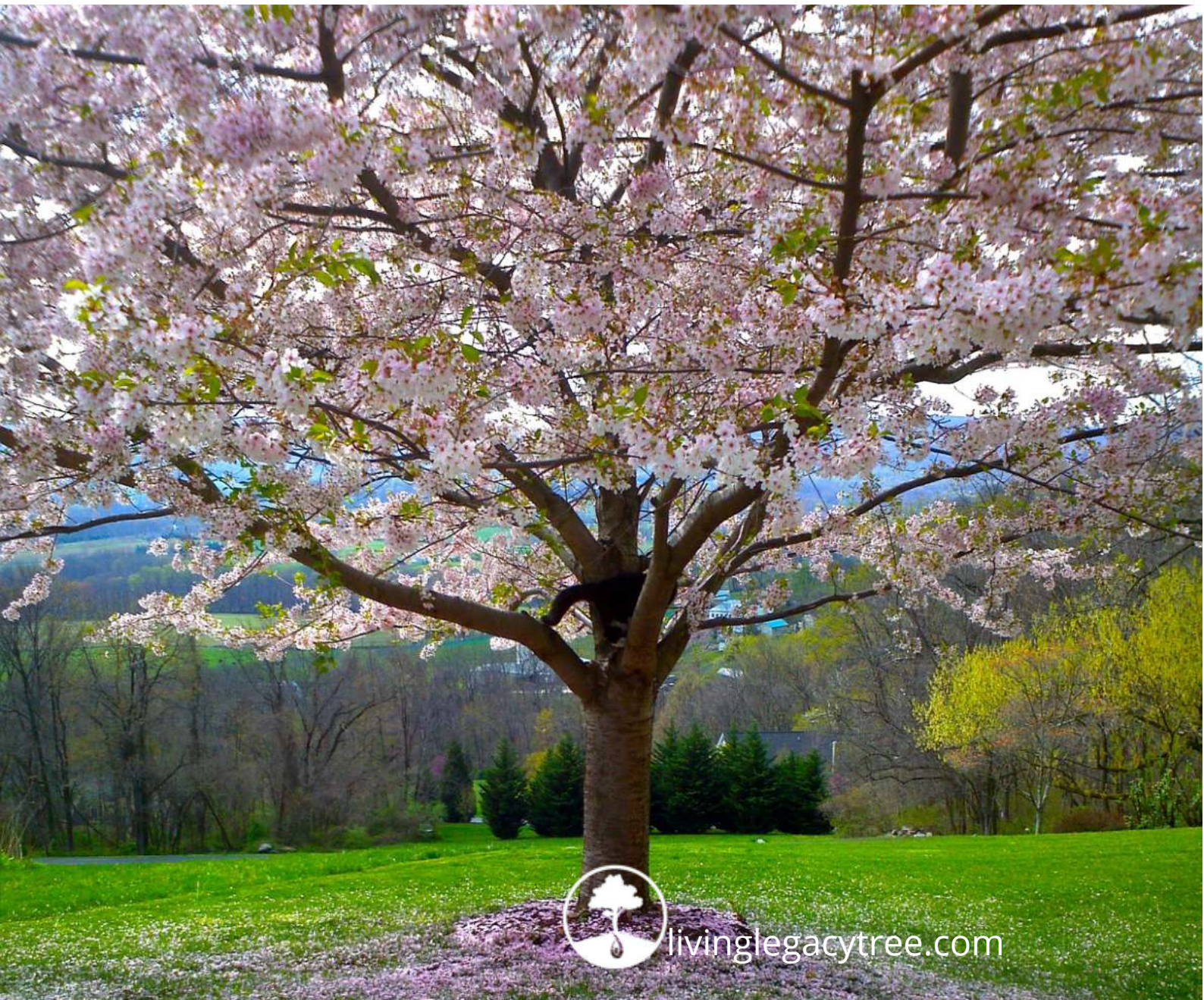
Width: 12 metres

Longevity up to 150 years.

Leaves Ovate, Medium Green or Red,
Gold, Deciduous.

Flowers. White. Flowers in Spring.

In Celtic tradition, the Apple tree
represents purity and wisdom.



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Olive Tree

Has Evergreen foliage.

Height: 7- 9 metres

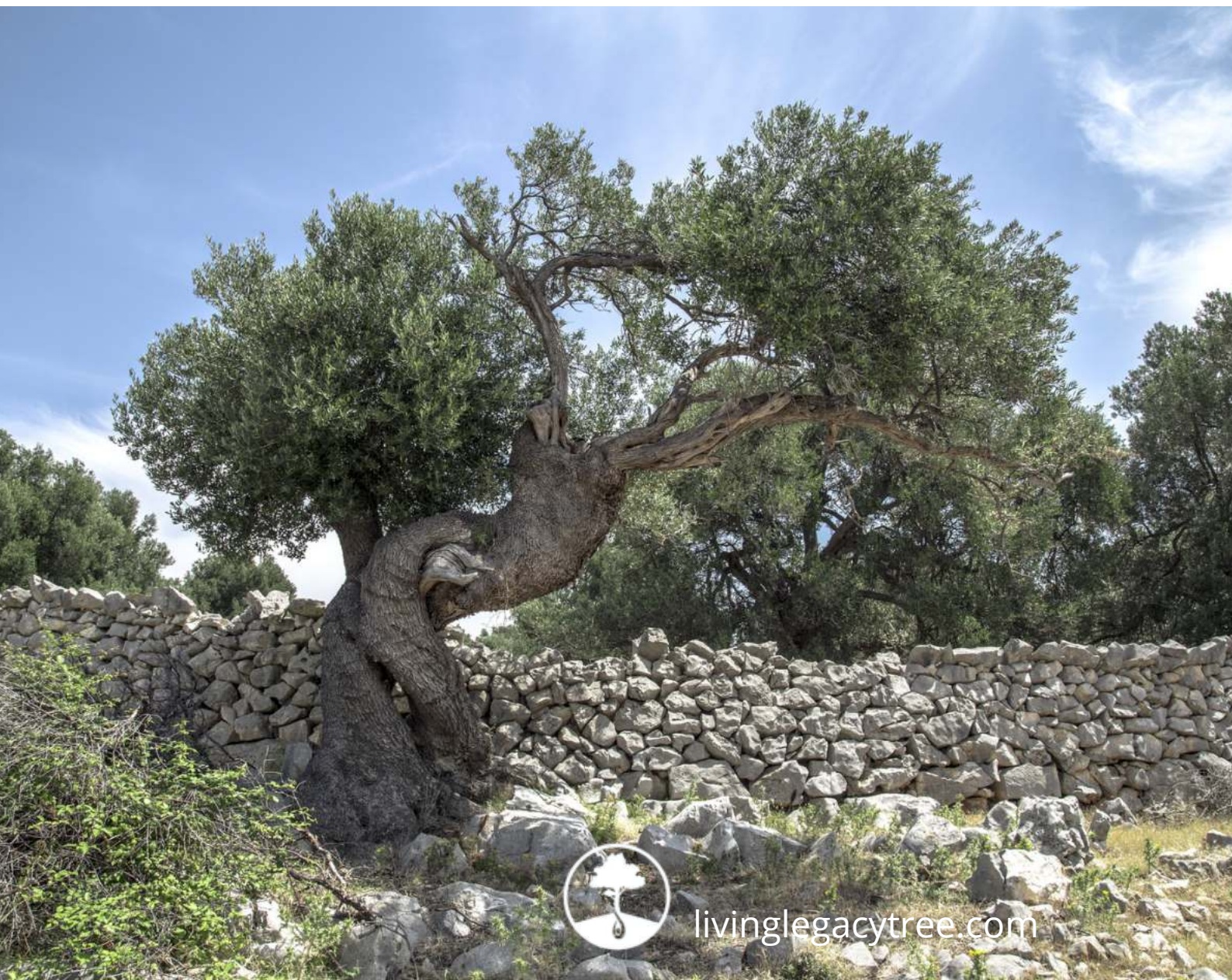
Width: 7-9 metres

Longevity : Often greater than 100 years.

Leaves Ovate, Grey Green, No Change, Evergreen.

Flowers Inconspicuous. Fragrant Flowers in Spring.

The Olive branch is traditionally a symbol of peace and victory. It is often used as a symbol for ancient wisdom



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White Cedar

Has Deciduous foliage.

Height: 9-15 metres

Width: 4-6 metres

Longevity up to 150 years.

Leaves Bipinnately Compound, Dark Green, Gold, Deciduous.

Flowers. Fragrant Lavender. Flowers in Spring or Summer.

Sometimes known the the Chinaberry Tree, the white cedar symbolises the tree of knowledge.



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Prunus

Has Deciduous foliage.

Height: 9 metres

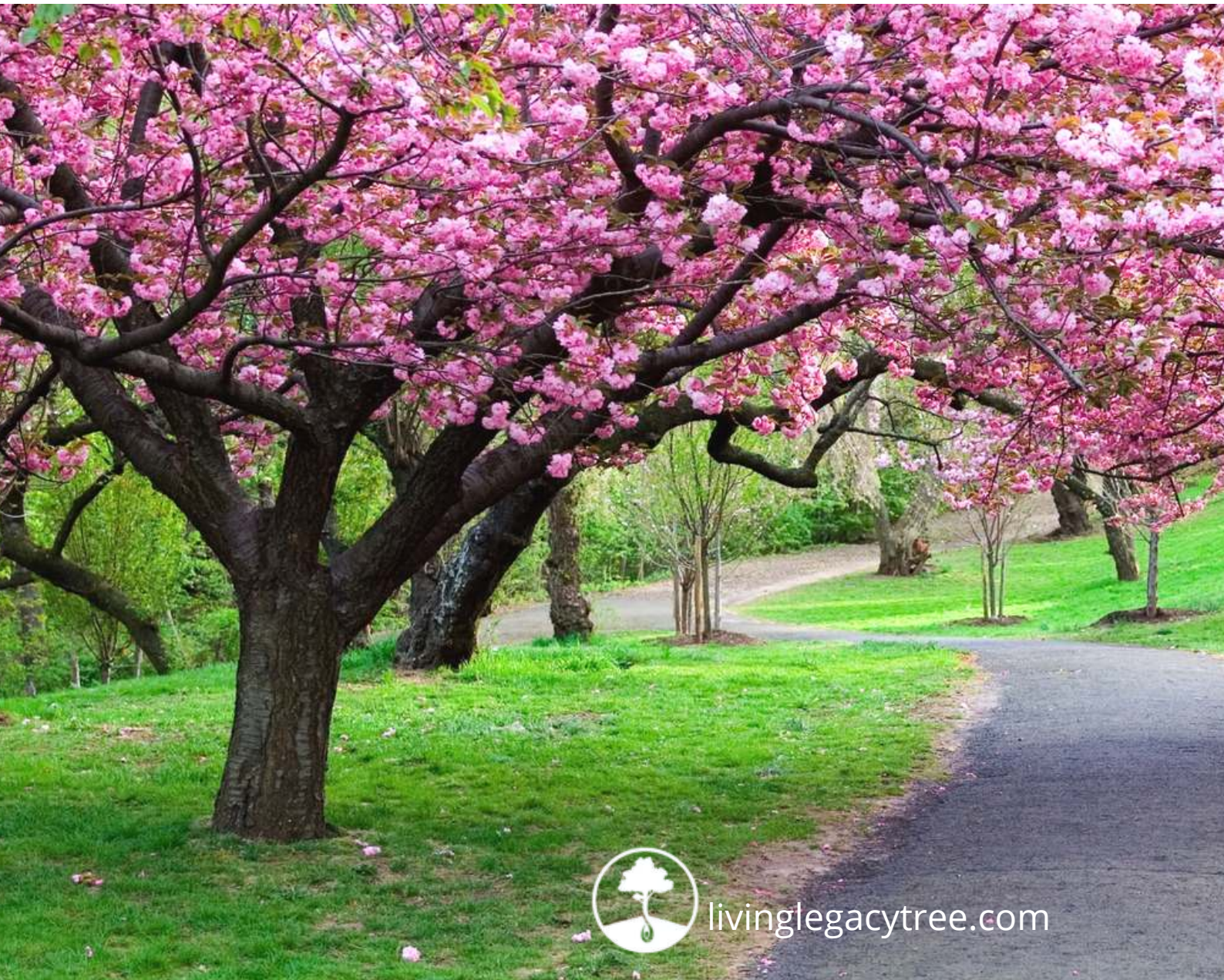
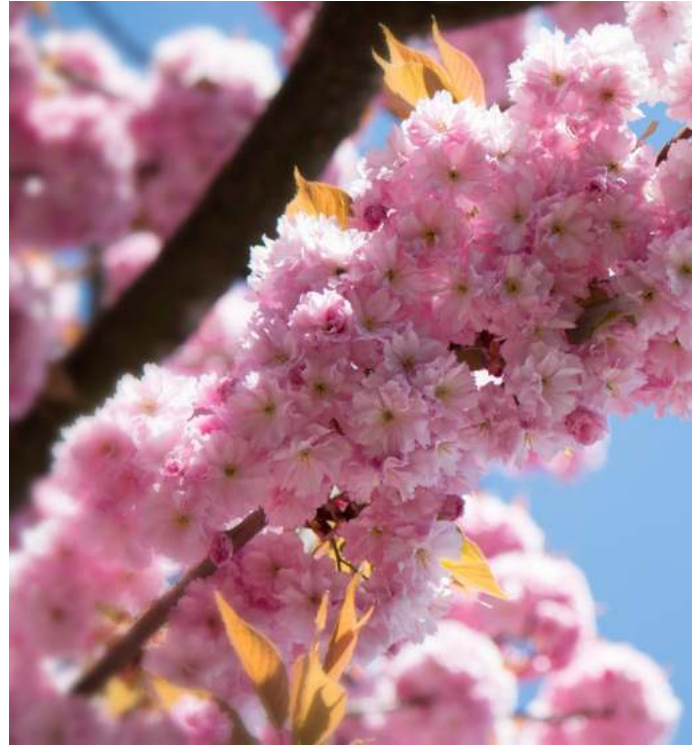
Width: 6-9 metres

Longevity up to 150 years.

Flowers Showy. Fragrant White. Flowers in Spring or Winter.

Has perfect flowers (male and female parts in each flower).

The Prunus represents vitality of life, endurance through hardship, and renewal.



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Pyrus (Pear)

Has Deciduous foliage.

Height: 15 metres

Width: 15 metres

Longevity up to 150 years.

Leaves Ovate, Glossy Dark Green, Red, Gold, Purple or Multicolored, Deciduous.

Flowers Showy. Fragrant White.

Flowers in Spring or Winter.

Has perfect flowers (male and female parts in each flower). The pear tree is a symbol of longevity and justice.



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Oak

Has Deciduous foliage.

Height: 30 metres

Width: 21 metres

Longevity: Sometimes greater than 150 years.

Flowers Inconspicuous. Red, gold, yellow or multicoloured. Deciduous.

Flowers in Spring.

The oak is considered a cosmic storehouse of wisdom embodied within its towering strength. It is a symbol of durability, purity and constancy.



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Chinese Elm

Has Evergreen to Partly Deciduous foliage.

Height: 12 metres.

Width: 12 metres.

Longevity up to 150 years.

Leaves Ovate, Glossy Dark Green, Bronze or Gold, Evergreen to Partly Deciduous.

The Chinese Elm is the tree of harmony. The Elm symbolises inner strength, intuition and wisdom



Bottle Tree

Has Partly Deciduous foliage. Height: 7-12 metres

Width: 6-9 metres.

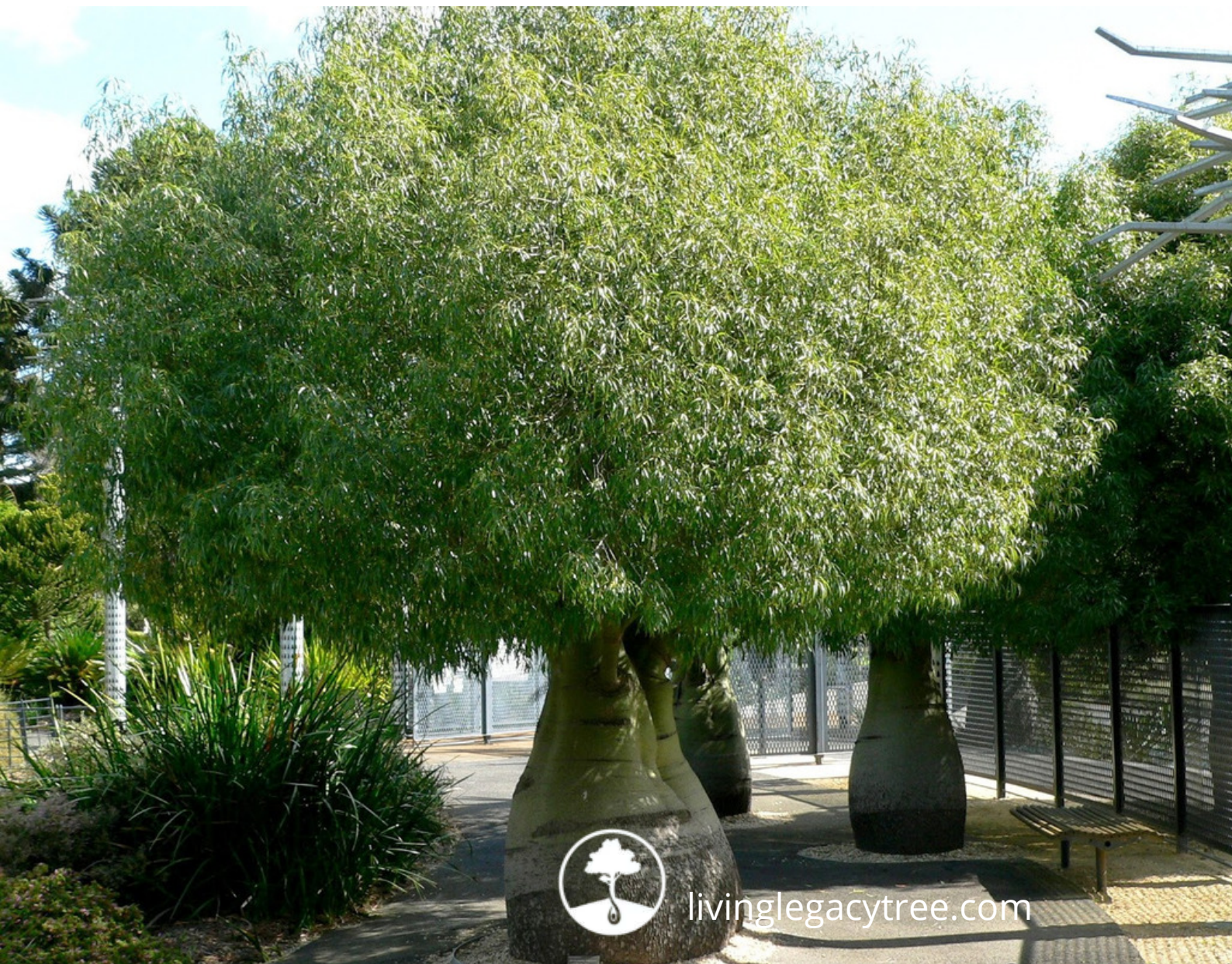
Longevity up to 150 years

Leaves Ovate to Palmately Lobed, Blue Green, Partly Deciduous.

Flowers. Cream and Red.

Flowers in Spring or Summer.

An important natural resource for Indigenous Australians, the bottle tree represents survival, protection and resilience.



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Flowering Gum

Has Evergreen foliage.

Height: 8-13 metres.

Width: 8-13 metres.

Longevity up to 150 years

Leaves Ovate, Dark Green, No Change, Evergreen.

Flowers; Orange, Pink, Rose.

Flowers in Fall, Winter, Spring or Summer



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Lemon-Scented Gum

Height: 24-48 metres

Width: 15-30 metres

Longevity up to 150 years.

Leaves Lanceolate, Light Green, No Change, Evergreen. White. Flowers in Winter. Evergreen.

Lemon-scented gum is a powerfully represents majestic grace and presence.



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Yellow Gum Eucalyptus

Height: 7-9 metres

Width: 7-9 metres

Longevity 50 to 150 years.

Leaves Falcate, Grey Green, No
Change, Evergreen. White.
Flowers in Spring or Winter.
Has perfect flowers

The yellow gum is associated with
strength and pride. An important tree for
Australia wildlife, providing habitat and
connection to the indigenous circle of
life..



Spotted gum

Has Evergreen foliage.

Height: 18-30 metres

Width: 18-22 metres

Longevity 50 to 150 years.

Leaves Lanceolate, Dark Green, No Change, Evergreen.

White. Flowers in Spring or Summer.

The spotted gum is known for its impressive height and beautiful bark. It's a symbol of confidence and leadership.



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Evergreen Ash

Has Evergreen to Partly Deciduous foliage.

Height: 24 metres

Width: 18 metres

Longevity 50 to 150 years.

Leaves Pinnately Compound Odd, Glossy Dark Green, No Change, Evergreen to Partly Deciduous. .

In Norse mythology, the Evergreen Ash represents the joining of the worlds of gods and mortals.



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Willow Bottlebrush

Has Evergreen foliage.

Height: 6-9 metres.

Width: 3-5 metres

Longevity 40 to 150 years.

Leaves Lanceolate, Medium Green, No Change, Evergreen.

Flowers. Rose. Flowers in Spring or Summer.

Their bottlebrush name invokes, cleansing and renewing energies. Red, the colour of fire, they represent rebirth,.



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Corky Oak

Oval, Rounded or Umbrella Shape. Has Evergreen foliage.

Height: 20 metres

Width: 20 metres

Longevity: Greater than 150 years

Flowers Inconspicuous. Flowers in Spring.

Like the larger oak, the corky oak is a symbol of truth and bravery, and offer protection to those around it.



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Each tree comes with a crystal keepsake right--> which stores some of the ashes or seeds for safekeeping.

New trees can be re-planted in the same soil using the Living Legacy bio-liquid which re-activates the biology in the treated ashes.



Living Legacy earth markers are orientated towards the sun casting a daily reflection onto the tree, symboling its perpetual connection to earth and the greater universe.



Restoring the circle of life



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