

## Blue-Leaf Wattle (Common Name)

*Acacia saligna* (Scientific Name)



### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Canopy potential: 15' – 20' wide

Annual Growth Rate: 36"

Powerline Friendly: 20' – 30' from base

Root Damage Potential: Low

Leaves: Lanceolate, long, blue-green leaves 6 to 12 inches long.

Flowers: Numerous ½ inch yellow flowers in racemes.

### ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Water Use: Low

Edible Fruit Producing: No

Allergenic: Moderate

BVOC Emissions: Moderate

Sonoran Desert Native: No

Invasive Species: No

Tree Care: Plant in full sun. Tolerant of most soils, preferring well-drained soil. Drought tolerant but during establishment regular watering promotes growth. Slow-release fertilizer in spring can also promote growth. Prune to remove dead and diseased branches.

Ecosystem Services: Yellow dye is obtained from the flowers and green dye is obtained from the seed pods. Great for reclaiming eroded hillsides and wastelands and for stabilizing drift sands for fuel. Used for windbreaks, beautification projects, and roadside stabilization in semiarid regions.