

Coral Gum (Common Name)

Eucalyptus torquata (Scientific Name)



PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Canopy potential: 15' – 30' wide

Annual Growth Rate: 24"

Powerline Friendly: 20' – 35' from base

Root Damage Potential: Low

Leaves: Greyish green in color, the blade has a lanceolate shape and is 3.5-4.7" in length and .6-.8" wide.

Flowers: Normally coral-pink in color but white, cream, and red flowered plants are known. They are simple with three to seven flowered.



ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Water Use: Low

Edible Fruit Producing: No

Allergenic: Low

BVOC Emissions: High

Sonoran Desert Native: No

Invasive Species: No

Tree Care: Drought tolerant but occasional water in the summer is best. Full sun is tolerant in most soils. Prune so that the canopy is lifted as high as wanted.

Ecosystem Services: Eucalyptus has long been used to treat cough and cold symptoms. The dried leaves are used in herbal remedies, which aid in soothing the throat. Oil from Eucalyptus gum is used as an astringent to treat plaque and gum disease and is an ingredient in antiseptic mouthwashes.



