



# Blunt-leaved tulip

**Botanical Name** *Harpullia hillii*

**Habitat/Ecology** Rainforests, including dry rainforests, riparian areas. Young foliage and flower buds; food source for the pencilled-blue butterfly.

**Home use** Excellent shade tree; rounded canopy; seldom over 10 m (can reach 20 m in rainforest). Street and parkland shade tree with non-invasive roots. Windbreak.

**Habit** Attractive small tree; crown dense.

**Flowers/Fruit** **Flowers:** Late winter, early summer; small, white at end of branches in loose panicles.

**Fruits:** Clusters; ripe Nov-Jan; yellow-orange thick-walled capsules; black seeds with red aril (coat). *H. pendula* has no red aril and thin walls on capsule.

**Leaves/Stems** **Leaves:** (4-12 leaflets); glossy green; scattered hairs.

**Bark:** Grey, smooth-fine scales.

**Propagation** Seeds, sow fresh. Suitable for sandy, loamy, clay and acidic soils.

**Water/Shade** Full sun, prefers part shade, frost tender.

**Maintenance** Low maintenance.



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