

# Alphitonia excelsa (Soap Tree or Red Ash)

Common in open forests on well-drained soils. Buds and young stems hairy. Leaves alternate to 14cm x 5cm, white below. Trunks are distinctly mottled. Clusters of strong-smelling tiny, 5-petaled, whitish flowers in summer/autumn. Globular black, fruits to 10mm. Bush soap made by crushing the leaves.



**Type:** Tree to 15+m  
**Aspect:** Full sun  
**Soil:** Well-drained  
**Habitat:** Adaptable

## Special features:

- Attracts –
  - Bees
  - Birds
  - Butterflies
- Bush Tucker
- Clay Tolerant
- Drought Tolerant
- Frost Tolerant
- Salt Tolerant
- Creek Species
- Fragrant Foliage
- Street Tree