



Flowering Trees

Magnolia grandiflora L. (Lily Tree) of Magnoliaceae is a small size pyramidal evergreen tree of tropical America, now cultivated in tropics for its showy flowers. Leaves (about 20 x 8 cm) are simple, thick, leathery and decorative. They are rich-green and shiny on the upper surface and rusty-hairy beneath. Flowers are large, about 13 cm across, attractive and fragrant. Fruit is cone-like and crimson-red when the follicles dehisce.