

**Scolopia braunii Brown Birch, Flintwood FLACOURTIACEAE**



**Typical height:** (>30m)      **Spread:** <5m

**Climate:** Tropical, subtropical, warm temperate.

**Light conditions:** Full sun, part shade.

**Growth habit:** A shrub to medium size tree. May develop a flanged buttress.

**Growing conditions:** Endemic to Australia, occurring in rainforest and littoral rainforest in Cape York Peninsula, North East Queensland, Central East Queensland and extending southerly to South East New South Wales within an altitudinal range from 0-1,000m. Hardy, requiring little care once established.

**Flowers:** Fragrant, Sept – Dec.      **Fruit:** Dec – Apr.

**Other:** A suitable shade tree and can be grown as a screening plant or hedge. Attracts the Australian Rustic and Eastern Flat butterflies. The fruit is eaten by Lewin's Honeyeaters, Rose-crowned Fruit-doves, Topknot Pigeons, King Parrots and the Regent and Satin Bowerbirds.

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