

Ceiba speciosa

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| COMMON NAME | Floss Silk Tree |
| FAMILY | Malvaceae |
| ORIGIN | Brazil |
| EVERGREEN | No |
| FLOWER COLOUR | Pink |
| BLOOMTIME | Summer/Fall |
| SYNONYMS | [<i>Chorisia speciosa</i>] |
| HEIGHT | 12 - 18 Metres |
| WIDTH | 6 - 12 Metres |
| EXPOSURE | Full Sun |
| SEASIDE | - |
| IRRIGATION | Low Water Needs |
| WINTER HARDINESS | -4° C |



FURTHER READING:

This semi-deciduous large tree has several unique characteristics. Most noticeable are the studded large thorns on the greenish trunk and branches that are quite attractive. These branches hold a palmately compound leaf with 6 to 8 leaflets that are 10 - 15 cm long and in summer into autumn, appear the large showy pale-pink to rose-coloured flowers with five frilly petals and a cream to yellow center.