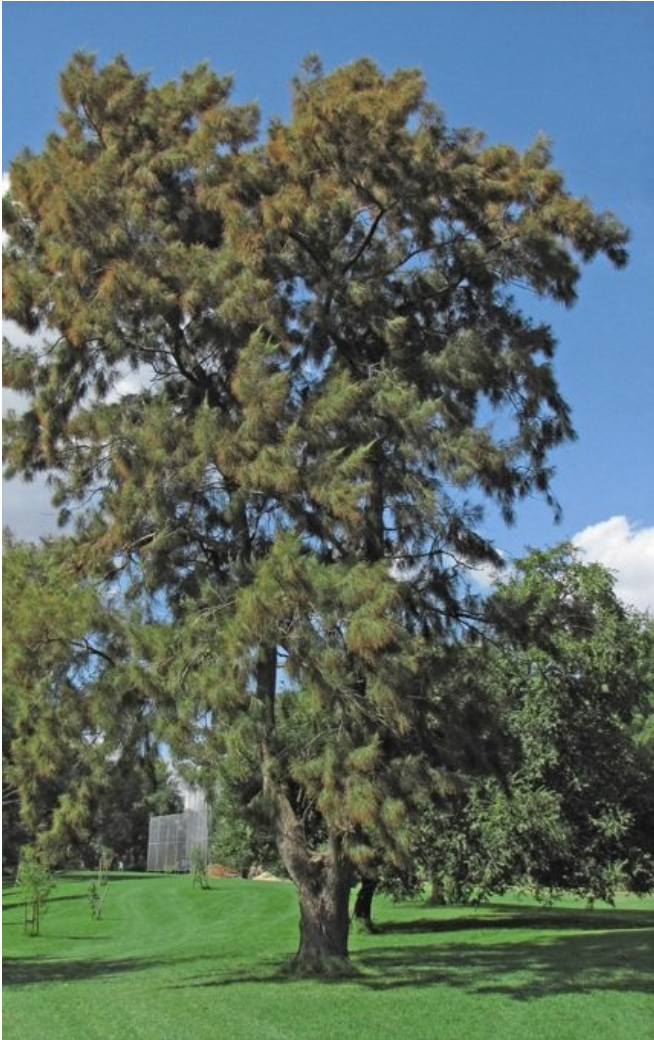


Black Sheoak *Allocasuarina littoralis*

Flowers: March to June - H 4-8m x W 2-5m.



Slender medium to tall tree preferring any well drained position. Relatively fast growing if conditions are suitable & watered during summer. Known for its fine soft branchlets that function as leaves & resemble pine needles. When fallen the foliage forms a dense mat that effectively suppresses undergrowth. Bark is black & fissured. Female flowers are small & dark red, male flowers brown, usually occurring on separate trees. Female trees forms attractive seed cones. Black Sheoak rarely sheds branches & is very drought tolerant once established

