

## Mahogany

**Common name:** Mahogany, Cuban Mahogany, American Mahogany

**Botanical name:** *Swietenia macrophylla*

**Family:** Meliaceae

**Name in Tamil:** *Ciminukku, Mahagony, Nukkamaram*



**Field identification:** Medium-sized semi-evergreen tree, up to 30-35m. Bark grey and smooth turning furrowed with age. Leaves pinnate 12-25 cm long, with 4-8 leaflets. Leaflets 5-6 cm x 2-3 cm, no terminal leaflet. Flowers small, panicle. Fruit woody capsule 5-10cm x 3-6 cm with numerous winged seeds.

**Location on campus:** College Chapel, Scudder Crescent

## References:

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