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# **Palmerston Park Oval**

#### Scientific Name:

Callophyllum inophyllum, Tamarindus indica, Terminalia microcarpa

#### Common Name:

Beauty Leaf, Tamarind, Damson Plum

Area Number:

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#### Location of Area:

The Gardens, Palmerston Park Oval, Woodlake Boulevard, Palmerston NT

#### GPS:

-12.47585, 130.97545

## **Categories of Significance:**

Aesthetic Size Age Historical Cultural Unique Location Group Habitat

### Number of Trees:

Individuals 30 Beauty Leaf

Date Planted: 1940 (Beauty Leaf)

Planted By: Peter Talbot

Year Listed: 1989 **Beauty Leaf** (Callophyllum inophyllum) are large spreading natives and they were an excellent choice of trees to surround the Gardens Ovals. Their shade saves a lot of hot heads at local football matches. There are more than 30 individuals planted in the area, which were planted by Peter Talbot in



1940. At this time the Darwin City Council was not formed and park maintenance was carried out by the Commonwealth Government under the Department of Northern Territory Administration.

The area includes the tallest Tamarind (Tamarindus indica) on the Darwin peninsula, its

dense evergreen crown shaded this spot long before the football oval was laid down. One can imagine its popularity amongst spectators at present day matches.

The majestic native Damson Plum (*Terminalia microcarpa*) would be the oldest as well as one of the few surviving species on the Darwin peninsula. The grandfather is showing his age. The characteristic layered shaped has disappeared as its brittle branches fall and the trunk has split from the fork to the ground.



