Flooded Gum

A fast growing eucalypt, flooded gum is one of the leading species used in the Forests NSW hardwood plantation program. Research programs are focused on maximising the value from the young plantation trees and ensuring their protection from pests and disease.

The rough bark stocking at the base of the tree contrasts with the clean white trunk, giving the impression of the debris line from a recent flood - hence the name.

Wood characteristics

**Heartwood**  Pink to pale red-brown.

**Sapwood**  Paler in colour but is not always clearly differentiated.

**Texture**  Moderately coarse but even.

**Grain**  Usually straight.

* The timber often features a ‘scribbling’ pattern created by the scribbly borer.

Did you know…

The trade name of flooded gum is rose gum as the heartwood is pink.

Application

**Construction**  General house framing, cladding, flooring, mouldings, linings, joinery, fascia and barge boards.

**Decorative**  Internal quality furniture, outdoor furniture, joinery, carving, turnery.

**Others**  Structural plywood, boat building (framing components, planking, decking). Has been used for boat oars, dowel rods, broom handles, brush ware, fruit cases.