

# *Bischofia javanica*

## JAVANESE BISHOPWOOD

### Phyllanthaceae

Common Synonyms: *Bischofia trifolia*

**FLEPPC Category:** 1

**FDACS Listed Noxious Weed:** No

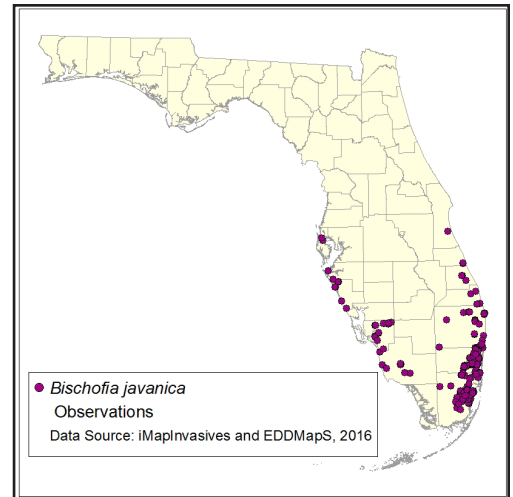
**IFAS Assessment**

North	CAUTION
Central	CAUTION
South	CAUTION

**USDA Hardiness Zone:** 9a - 11

**Growth Habit:** Tree

**Origin:** Tropical Asia, Pacific Islands



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**Description:** Tree to 18 m. Leaves alternate, long stalked, trifoliate, toothed margins, bronze-toned, leaflets 15-20 cm long. Flowers tiny, greenish-yellow, no petals, in clusters at leaf axils. Fruit a pea-sized berry, brown or reddish or black.

**Habitat:** Hammocks, disturbed sites, cypress swamps

**Florida Introduction Date:** Early 20th Century

**Control Methods:** Mechanical: hand pull seedlings.

Chemical: Basal bark (10-20% triclopyr ester), frill-n-girdle for larger trees (20% triclopyr ester). [IFAS].

**Useful Resources:**

Langeland, K.A., H.M. Cherry, C.M. McCormick, K.C. Burks. 2008. Identification and Biology of Non-Native Plants in Florida's Natural Areas-Second Edition. IFAS Publication SP 257. University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida.

Langeland, K.A., J.A. Ferrell, B. Sellers, G.E. MacDonald, and R.K. Stocker. 2011. Integrated management of non-native plants in natural areas of Florida. EDIS publication SP 242. University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida.

**Comments:** Vouchered north to Pinellas Co, established in south. Female plants produce many bird-dispersed seeds.