

# Silvertop Stringybark – *Eucalyptus laevopinea*

## Wood Appearance

**Colour** – Heartwood pale brown sometimes pinkish tints

**Grain** – Close-grained, usually straight with medium and even texture

## Wood Properties

**Density** – 860 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

**Durability** – Class 3 – Moderately resistant to decay when fully exposed to the weather, clear of the ground and well drained with free air circulation. Not recommended for in-ground use.

**Hardness** – Hard (rated 2 on a 6 class scale) in relation to indentation and ease of working with hand tools

## Identification Features

**Sapwood** – Pale brown, not readily differentiated from the heartwood

**Heartwood** – Pale brown to brown sometimes with pink tints

**Texture** – Medium to open, slightly interlocked grain

## Wood Structure

**Vessels** – Small to medium in size, mostly solitary but some touching. A distinct tendency to form oblique arrangements. A tendency to form growth rings with a reduction in the number of vessels in the latewood portion.

**Parenchyma** – None visible through hand lens

**Rays** – Very fine

## Other Features

**Burning Splinter Test** – A match size splinter burns to a charcoal leaving no ash

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