

# Ficus auriculata (Roxburgh Fig, Elephant Ear Tree)



Kingdom:	Plantae
Clade:	Angiosperms
Order:	Rosales
Family:	Moraceae
Genus:	Ficus
Subgenus:	F. subg. Sycomorus
Species:	F. auriculata

- Native Region: Subtropical and tropical mainland Asia
- Tree Characteristics:
- Height: 5–10 meters (16–33 feet)
- Branches: Numerous, bristle-covered
- Leaves:
- Size: Up to 44 cm (17 inches) long and 45 cm (18 inches) wide
- Shape: Big and round with a cordate or rounded base
- Apex: Acute
- Veins: 5–7 main veins from the leaf base
- Petioles: Up to 15 cm (6 inches) long
- Stipules: About 2.5 cm (1 inch) long
- Fruits:
- Type: Oblate syconium
- Size: Up to 4 cm (1.6 inches) wide
- Surface: Covered with yellow pubescence
- Growth: Fruits emerge from the trunk, old branches, and roots
- Ripening: Turns from light yellow to purple
- Clusters: Forms large clusters on the trunk, branches, and roots
- Reproduction:
- Type: Dioecious (male and female flowers on separate individuals)
- Fruit Extracts: Contain many phenolic compounds