

Tulip Tree

Highfield Park Tree Trail: Number 39

Latin/Botanical Name: *Liriodendron tulipifera*

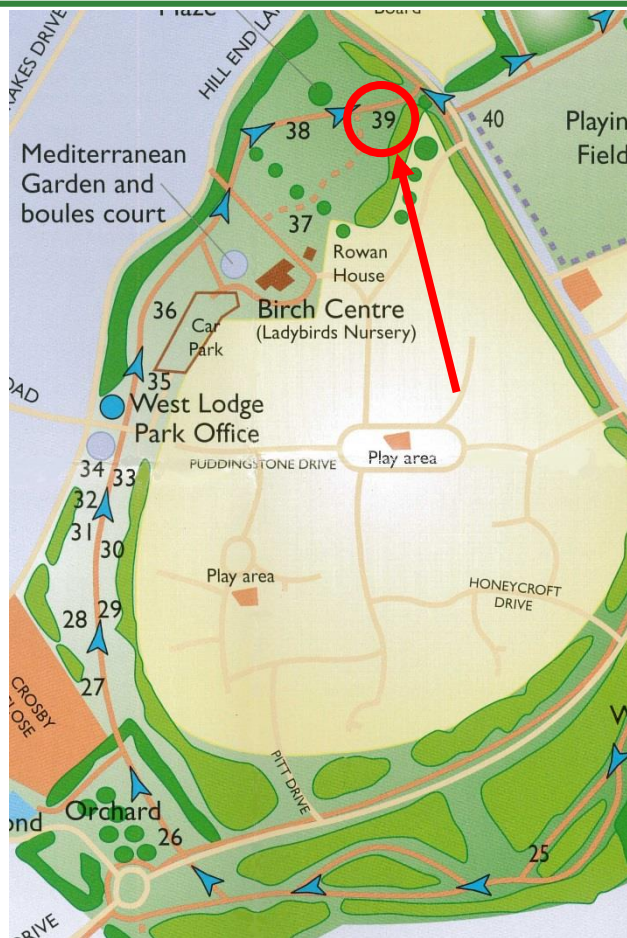
Range: originating in southern USA, now widely planted in parks and large gardens

Height: to 40m

Uses: Ornamental and timber. The fine grained wood is stable, easy to work and commonly used for cabinet making and furniture frames.

Description: A deciduous tree, wide spreading with large lower branches when old. Bark is greyish, becoming orange when old and evenly ridged. Leaves are squarish with 4 lobes and a broad apex, 10-18cm long. Flowers are large, cup-shaped and yellowish-green, more like magnolias than tulips.

Interesting fact: The tree was used by eastern Native Americans for construction of dugout canoes, for which its fine grain and large trunk size is eminently suited.



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