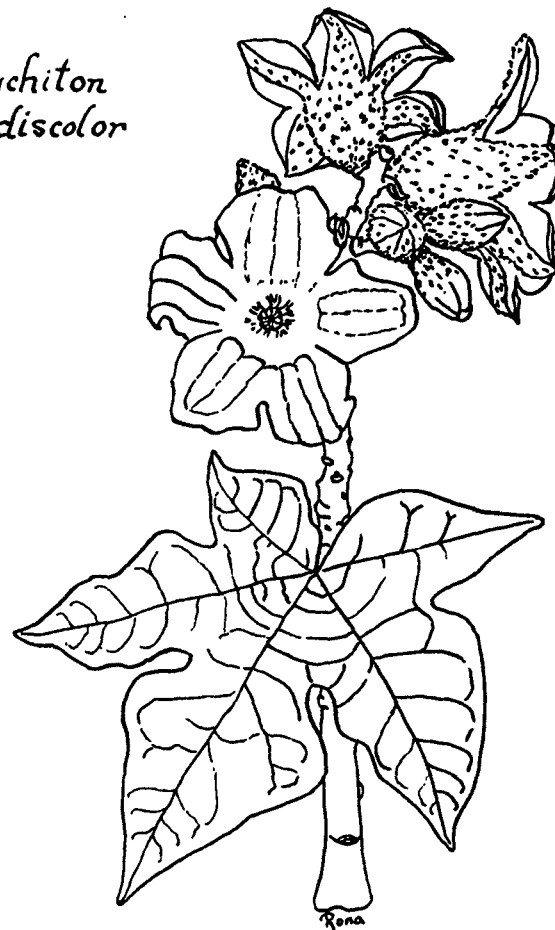


## *Brachychiton discolor*

(Sterculiaceae)

- Common name:** Lacebark.
- Localities:** Gold Creek, Upper Brookfield.
- Growth form:** Medium to large deciduous tree to 30 m tall, with prominently fissured bark.
- Foliage:** Leaves simple, up to 16 cm long and 21 cm wide, hairy, 3-5 lobed.
- Flowers and fruit:** Flowers large and showy, pink or red and felty in texture, in large panicles. The fruit is large and boat-shaped, containing about 20 seeds.
- Habitat:** Dry rainforest
- Propagation and Management:** May be propagated from seed, which can be stored for some months without losing viability. Tolerant of light and heavy soils. Young plants may be damaged by frost.
- General:** Seeds were eaten either raw or roasted by Aboriginal peoples. The better known flame tree, *B. acerifolius*, may also be native to our district. Flame tree is an extremely hardy species; the two species have been known to hybridise.

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