## Cupaniopsis anacardioides **CARROTWOOD**

## Sapindaceae

Common Synonyms: Cupania anacardioides

**FLEPPC Category:** 1 **USDA Hardiness Zone: 10 - 11** 

Growth Habit: Tree FDACS Listed Noxious Weed: Yes

**IFAS Assessment** 

North **PROHIBITED PROHIBITED** Central South **PROHIBITED** 

Origin: Australia and New Guinea





**Description:** Evergreen tree to 10 m tall, usually single trunked. Leaves alternate, compound (4-12 oblong, stalked leaflets), leathery and shiny yellowish-green with entire margins and rounded tips. Numerous white to green tiny flowers in branched clusters in leaf axils. Fruit orange woody capsule with 3 distinct segments and 3 shiny oval seeds inside.

Habitat: Dunes, tropical hammocks, pinelands, mangrove swamp, scrub, coastal strand, cypress swamps

Comments: Vouchered north to Volusia Co. established in south. Seeds readily dispersed by birds. Salt tolerant.

Florida Introduction Date: 1955

## **Control Methods:**

Chemical: Basal bark (10-20% triclopyr ester, IFAS), cut stump (10-50% triclopyr amine or undiluted glyphosate, IFAS), frill and girdle (10-20% triclopyr ester, IFAS).

Note: Read label restrictions regarding high tide mark and be very careful near mangroves (IFAS). Seeds need to be properly disposed of.

\*\*Follow herbicide labels: Only herbicides registered for application in water by EPA and FDACS may be applied to weeds growing in or near water.

## **Useful Resources:**

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