



# Mimosa (Albizia julibrissin)

## Instant ID

- A small tree related to beans growing 20-40 feet tall
- Bark is smooth and light gray-brown
- Tree crown (leafy portion) is often wider than tall
- Leaves resemble feathers made of 20-60 leaflets (little leaves)
- Flowers are pink, pompom-like clusters up to 1 1/2 inches long
- Seed pods resemble flattened beans, are tan to brown and grow up to 6 inches long

## **Hijacked Habitats**

- Native to China
- Spread throughout the South as an ornamental (landscaping) plant beginning around 1745
- Readily grows on roadsides and other disturbed areas









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## **Plant Particulars**

- Seeds are easily carried to new places by water
- Blocks sunlight from reaching native plants
- Re-sprouts quickly after being cut
- Will grow more quickly than many native plants in soil which has been dug up or disturbed

## **Population Prevention**

- Frequently cutting new growth or stump removal will lead to the death of the roots
- When removing, take care not to spread seeds
- Choose native flowering trees like fringe tree, red bud and dogwood when landscaping
- · For removal information, visit www.plants.ifas.ufl.edu



