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*Tilia platyphyllos*

[Synonyms : *Tilia europaea*, *Tilia grandifolia*, *Tilia officinarum*, *Tilia officinarum* subsp. *platyphyllos*]

**LARGE-LEAVED LIME** is a deciduous tree. Native to Europe it has small fragrant, yellowish-white flowers.

It is also known as Big-leafed lime, Big-leaf linden, *Bohuslind* (Swedish), Broad-leaved lime, European linden, *Isolehtilehmus* (Finnish), Largeleaf linden, Large-leaved linden, Lime tree, *Linde* (German), Linden flowers, *Lípa širokolistá* (Czech), *Lípa širolistá* (Czech), *Lipa velkolistá* (Slovak), *Lipa velkolistá* (Czech), *Pisgwydden Deilen Fawr* (Welsh), and *Sommerlinde* (German).

*Platyphyllos* is derived from Greek *platy-* (wide) and *phyllo-* (leaf) components.

In some parts of Europe this wood has been used for turning and carving. The wood provides a charcoal too that is used today for smoking and preserving certain foods, and is also used as artists' charcoal.

Ropes and baskets are made today from the inner bark fibre in eastern Europe. It can also be processed and used to make sacking.

Medicinally, a tea made from the dried flowers is used particularly in eastern Europe.