

# Acacia dentifera

## Tooth-bearing Acacia



Credit: Russell Cummings



2.5m



2.5m



Full sun to part shade



Drought tolerant



Frost tender



Spring to early Summer



Bird, bee and insect  
attracting

A large bushy shrub with a graceful upright form and spreading branches. Typically found in Eucalyptus forests near watercourses or amongst granite rocks, these acacias make a great understory plant in a garden bed or rockery. Will tolerate seasonal wetness, but prefers well drained lateritic or granite soils.

The spherical yellow flowers occur August to November.



# Anigozanthos viridis

## Green Kangaroo Paw



Credit: Lennix3



1.2m



0.6m



Full sun to part shade



Drought tolerant



Tolerates light frost



Spring, Summer, Winter



Attracts native birds

A very attractive small kangaroo paw species with narrow, upright greyish green leaves on a clumping perennial plant. The flowers are great in floral arrangements as well as being excellent bird attractors in the garden. Plant in a sunny or lightly shaded open position in the garden in moderately well-drained soils. Suitable for pots as well as garden beds and mass planting.



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# Banksia grandis

## Bull Banksia

Mungite, Mangij, Mungytch, Beera



1.5-10m



3m



Full sun, part shade



Drought tolerant



Tolerates light frost



Spring, Summer



Bird attracting

A slow growing banksia that can vary from a medium shrub to a large tree. New leaves are an attractive light green maturing to dark green with a striking zig-zag pattern.

This banksia makes a great feature shrub or small tree and is especially well-suited to coastal conditions. It is slow to flower, but worth growing for the beautiful foliage.

Drought-resistant once established.



# Callistemon phoeniceus

## Scarlet Bottlebrush

Tubada



Credit: John Carter



2-4m



3-5m



Full sun, part shade



Water in dry periods



Frost tolerant



Spring, Summer



Bird, reptile and mammal  
attracting

Striking medium to large shrub or small tree with bright red flowers and greyish-green foliage. Adaptable to most soil conditions. Commonly known as the Scarlet Bottlebrush, it flowers Spring through Summer and attracts a variety of native birds.

While it is not advisable to cut growth back aggressively, trimming stems and spent flowers will encourage growth and allow for plant shaping.





# Calothamnus quadrifidus

## One-sided Bootlebrush

Kwowdjard, Quietjad



Credit: Christopher Young



2.5m



2.5m



Full sun, light shade



Drought resistant



Frost tolerant



Spring, Summer



Bird, butterfly and bee attracting

An upright spreading shrub with needle-like leaves and bright red flowers. It makes a great hedge or general garden shrub that will attract nectar-feeding birds such as honey eaters. A light trim will keep it flowering well and in a compact shape.

Very hardy and suited to most soil conditions, it makes a great feature plant in a garden bed or pot.



# Calothamnus rupestris

## Mouse Ears



Credit: John Tann



2-4m



1.5-2m



Full sun, part shade



Drought resistant



Frost tolerant



Winter, Spring



Bird and bee attracting

An easy to grow, medium to large shrub with attractive, needle-like foliage and showy red flowers. A tough plant naturally occurring on granite outcrops, rocks and hillsides in well-drained, moderately fertile soil.

Flowers from mid-winter to early summer and attracts nectar eating birds that aid in its pollination. Tip prune a couple of times a year.





# Hardenbergia comptoniana

## Native Wisteria

### Koorla



0.1-2.0m



1.5-2m



Full sun



Drought resistant



Tolerates light frost



Spring



Attracts bees and butterflies

This popular native plant is distinguished by masses of purple pea flowers on a vigorous climber, with attractive dark green glossy leaves. Use it to screen fences or walls or as a vigorous ground cover that can stabilise embankments.

It needs very little fertiliser and can stand dry conditions very well. Give it a trim after flowering if you feel a tidy up is necessary.



# Hemiandra pungens

## Snake Plant



Credit: Geoffrey Derrin



0.1-1m



1.5-2m



Full sun



Drought resistant



Tolerates light frost



Autumn, Winter



Attracts birds and butterflies

An attractive evergreen groundcover with purple flowers in Spring and Summer. Commonly known as the snake plant. Fantastic for pots and hanging baskets, also makes an excellent rockery plant.

Can be planted on a slope or embankment to control soil erosion. The prickly foliage also makes it an effective barrier plant.





# Hypocalymma angustifolium

## White Myrtle

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Credit: Melburnian



1-1.5m



1-1.5m



Full sun, part shade



Drought resistant



Tolerates light frost



Summer



Attracts bees and butterflies

A dainty little shrub which bears masses of white and sometimes pink flowers in Spring. Prefers a sheltered spot in full sun to dappled shade, on well drained soil.

A popular cut flower, the narrow leaves have a spicy fragrance. Prune after flowering to keep the plant dense.



# Chorizema cordatum

## Heart-leaf Flame Pea



1m



1.5m



Part shade



Drought resistant



Tolerates light frost



Spring, Winter



Bee, butterfly and  
insect attracting

A small scrambling shrub with profuse orange and pink flowers in late Winter and Spring. Does best in a semi-shade position, which will yield deeper coloured flowers. Will grow in most soil conditions but prefers moist areas, as it naturally occurs along watercourses and in winter-wet flats.

Acts as a living fertiliser by capturing nitrogen from the air and depositing it in nodules underground.



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# Chorizema varium

## Bush Flame Pea



Credit: Brian Waters



0.3m



1m



Full Sun, Part shade



Water in dry periods



Tolerates light frost



Spring, Winter



Bee and  
insect attracting

A small spreading shrub with a profusion of fluorescent pink and orange pea-shaped flowers in winter and spring.

Listed as an endangered species in bushland areas, this plant is great for mass planting in a flower bed, in rockeries or in pots.

Perfect for native, cottage-style and coastal gardens as well as containers.



# Eucalyptus laeliae

## Darling Range Ghost Gum



↕ 20m

↔ 6m

☀ Full sun

💧 Drought resistant

❄ Frost tolerant

🌸 Summer



Attracts bees, nectar eating birds, butterflies and other insects

A medium-sized tree with a lovely smooth white trunk and masses of white flowers in summer.

It is sometimes called “butter gum” because it’s new bark, in early autumn, is creamy-yellow maturing to become powdery and pure white. Masses of white flowers appear in summer. An important food source for a variety of insects and birds, producing great honey.





# Eucalyptus wandoo

## Wandoo

Woornt, Dooto, Wando, Wandoo, Waarnt



Credit: Marie Lochman



3-25m



5m



Full sun



Drought resistant



Frost tolerant



Variable



Attracts birds and insects

A small to medium-sized slow-growing tree with smooth white or cream bark, often with yellow-brown flakes. Mature leaves are narrow lanceolate shape and a dull green grey or blue grey in colour. Clusters of white flowers are produced at different times of the year depending on conditions. A magnificent feature tree; tall and stately with strong limbs and a great variety in form, with trunks and crowns full of unusual twists, and gnarls.





# Kennedia prostrata

## Running Postman

Wollung, Pulbarn, Kuralo, Wollong



1.5m



2.5m



Full sun, light shade



Drought resistant



Tolerates moderate frost



Spring



Butterfly and  
insect attracting

A prostrate or twining shrub with red pea flowers, this plant makes a great ground cover or a restrained climber. Flowers from winter to summer. It has a spread to around 1.5 to 3 metres, and has leathery grey-green leaves. A hardy ground cover suitable for verges, in garden beds, pots or rockeries. Can be used for banks, hanging baskets, to spill over retaining walls, as well as on a trellis or fence.





# Lobelia anceps

## Angled Lobelia



Credit: Christine Lynch



0.3m



0.3m



Part shade



Drought sensitive



Frost sensitive



Summer, Autumn



Attracts insects and bees

A low perennial herb with a trailing habit, although it can sometimes also grow upright. Blue to mauve flowers appear from Summer to Autumn, but sporadic flowers can appear throughout the year.

Grows well in wet areas and can be used as a groundcover or grown in pots en masse.



# Melaleuca incana

## Grey Honey Myrtle



Credit: Brian Walters



1.5-5m



3.5m



Full sun



Drought sensitive



Frost Sensitive



Winter, Spring



Attracts birds and bees

An attractive weeping shrub with blue-green to grey foliage and beautiful creamy yellow flowers from winter to late spring.

The dense foliage makes it suitable for growing as a hedge or as an accent plant in garden beds or pots. Prune minimally to retain weeping habit. Suitable for most soil types. Can tolerate damp conditions.



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# Melaleuca radula

## Graceful Honey Myrtle

### Moorngan



2.5m



2.5m



Full sun



Drought tolerant



Frost tolerant



Winter, Spring, Summer



Attracts insects and bees

A spreading shrub with coarse bark. Flowers appear from Winter to Summer and can range from white to mauve or pink.

Prefers well drained soils. Prune after flowering to maintain shape and encourage fresh blooms. An attractive plant well-suited to small gardens.



# Melaleuca viminea

## Mohan



Credit: Brian Myers



0.6-5m



1m



Full sun, part shade



Drought tender



Frost tolerant



Winter, Spring



Attracts birds, butterflies  
insects and bees

A small dense shrub or small tree which bears beautiful white bottlebrush-like flowers in winter and spring. Grows well around creeks, watercourses and rocky coastal areas. Suitable for shady positions in the garden, but prefers full sun. The sweet-smelling flowers attract a wide variety of birds, insects and butterflies. Makes a great feature plant and can be grown in free-draining pots.





# Patersonia occidentalis

## Native Iris

### Komma



0.4-0.6m



0.3-0.5m



Full sun, part shade



Drought tolerant



Tolerates light frost



Spring, Summer



Attracts bees and butterflies

An attractive strappy leaf perennial with purple-blue flowers in Summer, also known as the Purple Flag Iris. Growing in clumps, this plant is very easy to care for once established and makes an attractive rockery or border plant.

Prefers a well-drained position in full sun or part shade. Also grows well in pots.



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# Verticordia plumosa

## Plumed Feather Flower



Credit: Geoff Derrin



0.6m



1m



Full sun, part shade



Drought tolerant



Tolerates light frost



Spring



Attracts birds, bees and butterflies

An attractive and showy shrub with small grey fragrant foliage and masses of scented white-purple fringed flowers in Spring. Well-suited to small gardens, in pots or amongst mixed garden beds.

Responds well to light tip pruning immediately after flowering to maintain the rounded shape. Once established it is drought tolerant and very low maintenance.

