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## Introduction

Vegetation and trees in particular are an essential component of the landscape and have a substantial influence on the character of individual properties, neighbourhoods, towns, farms and the landscape as a whole.

The presence of suitable trees provides scenic and environmental amenity and wildlife habitat. Trees minimise land and water degradation and soil erosion, soften the impact of urban features and provide shade and shelter for humans, stock and wildlife.

Retaining native vegetation and planting suitable native species, rather than introduced species, will provide many benefits to the whole community. Retaining or planting native species that are local to the Nambucca Valley will help to conserve and improve biodiversity. Local plant species have evolved to the local climatic conditions and adapted to survive seasonal changes of the area.

Apart from improving flora and fauna habitat, water quality and landscape quality, other benefits of local native vegetation include saving water, improved plant growth, native bird attraction and successful integration into existing land uses. Local native plants are unlikely to become a weed problem. The warm, sub-tropical climate of the mid-north coast provides favourable conditions for many introduced plants to become environmental weeds, some causing large scale degradation. Many environmental weeds can be difficult to control and are, for landowners, expensive and laborious to remove.



Staghorn Platycerium spp.

Due to its topography the Nambucca Valley has a large range of aspects, soils and micro climates that all provide varying conditions for plants. Selecting an appropriate local native species for a particular situation or conditions can be difficult, particularly for newcomers to the area.

It is hoped that this Vegetation Guide for the Nambucca Valley will assist you in planning and managing vegetation on your urban or rural property. Please go to the Contacts Section and the Bibliography at the end of this guide if you require assistance or more information than can be provided here.



# Planting Native Plants

# Key considerations

# What native plant and where to plant it

In natural ecosystems many native plants often grow in particular locations or in areas with specific conditions. For example on the edge of a watercourse, in a wetland, in certain types of soil, particular aspects or position on a slope. The Nambucca Valley has a great range of vegetation communities throughout its catchment, from coastal through the hills to the higher altitude escarpment. These natural vegetation communities will reflect particular plant requirements providing a useful guide for choosing plants.

Consider the following.

# What is my purpose for planting this plant?

For shade or shelter.

As a wind break.

For visual or environmental amenity.

To hold the soil (stop erosion).

For wildlife habitat.

To minimise water use.

To minimise impact of fire.

For maintaining natural ecosystems.

Bush food.

# What are the characteristics of the proposed site?

The location eg. is it in wetland, on a lower slope or high on a ridge?

Tthe aspect, does it face north, south, east or west?

Is it coastal, in the hills or escarpment?

Type of soil.

Water availability.

Surrounding vegetation.

Exposure to sun, wind, frost, salt.

Any other constraints? (proximity to power lines, homes, sheds, fences)

# What are the needs or requirements of the chosen species?

Water needs.

Soil conditions.

Growth (does it need plenty of space?)

Does it need shelter or can it be exposed?

Will it require much maintenance?

# What other things need to be considered?

Will it impact on my neighbours, especially when fully grown?

Will it drop branches?

Is it deciduous?

Will it block my view or winter sunlight?

Will it create a lot of litter possibly becoming a fire hazard?

Will it grow too tall or wide? (power lines)

How will it impact on surrounding plants?

Is it salt tolerant?

Will it improve wildlife habitat?

## When to plant natives

The most appropriate planting time will depend on the situation or location in which you are planting. If frosts are likely it is best to plant in spring, after the frosts have finished. It is important to water well until the plant is established as spring in this area can be dry. In a milder location autumn is usually preferable for planting to allow the plant to settle before the growth period.

#### How to plant natives

#### Soil Preparation

Soils in the Nambucca Valley are generally acidic so the pH need not be a concern when planting as most native plants prefer acidic soils with a pH between 5 and 6.5.

If your planting situation has well drained loam then there is little you will need to do to prepare the soil. However in many situations the site may require some preparation. Soils such as heavy clays with poor drainage and sandy soils will benefit from the addition of compost. Compost bins are readily available or make your own heap. You may use grass clippings, cuttings, weeds, leaves, sawdust, shredded paper, manure and kitchen scraps. Be sure to keep your heap moist and aerated.

The use of compost will improve soil texture resulting in a soil with greater nutrient content and better moisture holding capacity.

### Watering

Once established most native plants will require little watering except in extended dry periods or in sandy soils. Less often, but thorough, watering will encourage a deeper root system. Time your watering, evening watering in summer and morning watering in winter to avoid wet plants being frozen.

## Mulching

Mulching plants or garden beds provides a multitude of benefits. Mulch holds moisture in the soil, prevents weed growth, keeps an even soil temperature and as the material decomposes it adds organic matter, improving soil texture. Heavy rain events often occur on the north coast. Mulching will reduce erosive run off and loss of topsoil and will help prevent the soil surface hardening thus improving aeration and water penetration.

Be careful not to place mulch close to the plant stems. Where frosts occur, pull the mulch back about 50cm to allow the sun to warm the soil by day and where possible protect the plant from early morning sunlight to lessen the severity of frosts.

#### Fertilising

Most native plants will benefit from the application of an appropriate fertiliser. Many natives are sensitive to an excess of phosphorus so using one that contains a safe balance of nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium means it can be used on all natives. Ask your local nursery for advice. Fertiliser can be applied in early spring and early autumn making sure the soil is moist and watering in well afterwards.

#### Pruning

For most native plants pruning is best carried out in late spring or early summer after flowering is finished. This will improve flower production and maintain a compact shape. Different plants will tolerate different levels of pruning so again ask your local nursery for advice. If you are undertaking restoration planting, you will not need to prune at all, leaving the plant to grow in its natural state.



# Suitable Local Native Species for Planting in Particular Situations



# Riparian vegetation

The word *riparian* comes from Latin and means of or to do with watercourses. Vegetation growing along the banks of watercourses is therefore known as riparian vegetation.

Native riparian vegetation is acknowledged as being the most important factor giving stability to a stream bank.

The streamside environment requires a specialised group of plants, ones that can survive regular inundation and often fast moving water. These riparian plants need to have flexible stems and strong root systems. These characteristics in turn benefit the stream's stability as the stems or trunks slow the water against the bank and the roots reinforce the soil in the same way steel reinforces concrete. They force the faster flowing water away from the banks to the centre of the channel, where the higher

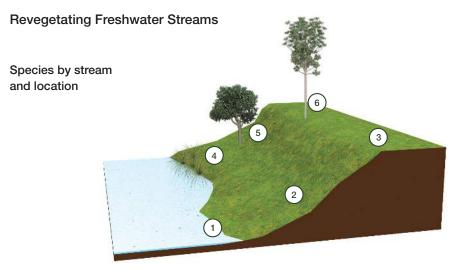
velocities keep the channel free of obstacles and push sediment further downstream. In the estuary native riparian vegetation also reduces the erosive effects of waves on the banks.

In terms of landscape ecology, streamside vegetation provides shade to the water, keeping it cool and oxygen rich. Falling leaves, branches, fruits and insects provide the raw materials for the aquatic food chain. Fallen logs often work themselves into the bed, providing extra stability to the stream. The vegetation also acts as a nutrient trap reducing the amount of soil and nutrients entering the stream.

The clearing of native riparian vegetation occurred extensively following European settlement and the riverbank erosion which ensued continues today.

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- 1 Toe of bank Lower part or base of bank
- 2 Middle bank
  Top most part of the face
  of the bank
- (3) Upper bank
  Flat or mostly level section

- 4 Low growing, multi-trunked plants with matted roots to bind the Toe. Best species for erosion control.
- Medium sized plants with good root systems and larger canopies which shade the stream.
- 6 Larger trees with deep root systems.

## Reference Chart

For the following tables

Height	Refers to the maximum height in an OPEN situation. Some species may grow taller in protected areas.			
5	1	Plant requires watering and protected canopy of taller plants		
Protection when young	2	May require some watering and protection in exposed sites		
	3	Requires no protection		
	Refers to	the frost resistance of newly planted seedlings		
Freet	1	Definite resistance		
Frost	2	Some resistance (light frosts)		
	3	None or very little resistance		



Toe	Middle Bank	Upper Bank
*Callistemon viminalis	**Ackama paniculata	Acacia irrorata
Leptospermum brachyandrum	Acmena smithii	Acacia maidenii
Lomandra hystrix	Alectriyon subcinereus	Acacia melanoxylon
Tristaniopsis laurina	Anetholea anisata	Alphitonia excelsa
	Aphananthe philippinensis	Aphananthe phillippinensis
	**Archontophoenix cunninghamiana	**Argyrodendron actinophyllum
	Backhousia myrtifolia	Cryptocarya obovate
	Bosistoa floydii	**Diploglottis australis
	Callicoma serratifolia	**Dysoxylum fraserianum
	Ceratopetalum apetalum	Ehretia acuminata
	Cordyline stricta	**Elaeocarpus grandis
	Cryptocarya glaucescens	Elaeocarpus obovatus
	Cryptocarya microneura	Eucalyptus grandis
	**Cuttsia viburnea	Eucalyptus mircocorys
	Endiandra muelleri	**Ficcus spp.
	Ficus coronata	Flindersia schottiana
	Glochidion ferdinandi	Jagera pseudorhus
	Gmelina leichhardtii	Lophostemon confertus
	Guioa semiglauca	Mallotus philippensis
	Hymenosporum flavum	Melia azedarach
	Jagera pseudorhus	**Toona ciliata (prev. australis)
	Mallotus philippensis	
	Melicope micrococca	
	Neolitsea dealbata	
	**Niemeyera whitei	
	Pittosporum undulatum	
	**Planchonella australis	
	Rhodomyrtus psidioides	
	**Sloanea australis	
	**Sloanea woollsii	
	Syzygium australe	
	Tristaniopsis laurina	
	***Waterhousea floribunda	

All streams within the catchment



<sup>\*</sup> found on Taylors Arm only

<sup>\*\*</sup> generally require protected sites and are largely absent from Warrell Creek

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> absent from Warrell Creek

Common/botanical name	Brief description	Max Height	Fast rowing	Protect when young	Frost Resis- tant	Other uses	Wildlife
<b>Green Wattle</b> Acacia irrorata	Small fern leaved wattle with pale yellow flowers, very hardy	6m	Χ	3	1	Good canopy species for protecting Rf plantings	Attracts insect eating birds
<b>Maiden's Wattle</b> Acacia maidenii	Medium sized bushy wattle with pale yellow flowers, very hardy	8m	X	3	1	Good canopy species for protecting Rf plantings	Attracts insect eating birds
<b>Blackwood</b> Acacia melanoxylon	Medium sized bushy wattle with pale yellow flowers, very hardy	10m	Χ	3	1	Useful buffer tree for planting on the outer edges of streamside plantings	Seeds attract birds
<b>Soft Corkwood</b> Ackama paniculata	Medium sized Rf tree that produces small, showy cream flowers in November	15m		1	3	Suitable for cabinet timber	Good host for orchids and ferns
<b>Lilly Pilly</b> Acmena smithii	Medium sized Rf tree with a dense habit and pink to purple fruit	10m		2	2	Some forms make useful windbreaks if given sufficient water	Fruit attracts birds
<b>Wild Quince</b> Alectryon subcinereus	Medium sized Rf tree with a dense crown, often bushy to the ground	8m		2	2	Useful Rf regeneration species. Timber suitable for small turnery	Fruit attracts birds
<b>Red Ash</b> Alphitonia excelsa	A medium sized tree with some drought tolerance. Leaves have a white underside, hardy	12m	X	3	1	Timber suitable for building or cabinet work. Stock forage tree. Good Rf regeneration tree	Seeds attracts birds
<b>Ringwood</b> Anetholea anisata	A tall dense-crowned Rf tree. The crushed leaves have a distinct aniseed smell	15m		1	2	Leaves can be used for their aniseed odour. Timber durable	
Rough-leaved Elm Aphanantha philippinensis	Small to medium Rf tree with stiff elm-like leaves and dense, dark crown, hardy	12m		2	2	Timber hard and suitable for handles. Edible fruit. Useful Rf regeneration species	Fruit attracts birds
Bangalow Palm Archondtophoenix cunninghamiana	Single-stemmed feather leaved palm, needs plenty of water, best in upper catchment	8m	X	1	3	Landscaping	Fruit attracts birds
Black Booyong Argyrodendron actinophyllum	Tall Rf tree with dark, dense canopy and fan-shaped leaves, needs plenty of water	18m		1	3	Attractive feature tree. Useful timber tree for indoor work	Seeds eaten by scrub turkeys
<b>Grey Myrtle</b> Backhousia myrtifolia	Slow growing bushy Rf tree with some drought tolerance, often found on steep rocky banks, hardy	8m		2	2	Screen plant. Wood tough and hard and suitable for handles	Good host for orchids and ferns
Fine-leaved Bonewood Bosistoa floydii	Small to medium Rf tree with dense, dark crown, slow growing, needs water to start. Rare.	15m		1	3	Ornamental tree	
<b>Callicoma</b> Callicoma serratifolia	Shrub or small tree with distinct toothed leaves and white underside. Usually on shaded rocky banks.  Needs water to establish	8m		1	3	Useful understorey species in protected, shady areas	
Weeping Bottlebrush Callistemon viminalis	Multi-stemmed tree with hard furrowed bark and red bottlebrush flowers, very hardy	5m	X	3	1	Excellent erosion control species direct seeding used	Flowers attract honey eaters
River Oak Casuarina cunninghamiana	Tall pine-like species, common on north coast, hardy. Needs management as may contribute to erosion. Best planted in mixed species	20m		3	1	Fixes nitrogen. Good canopy cover species for Rf regeneration, direct seeding	Large older trees used as roosting sites
<b>Coachwood</b> Ceratopetalum apetalum	Medium sized Rf tree with attractive pale trunk with prominent rings	12m		1	2	Cabinet timber species	
Narrow-leaved Palm Lilly Cordyline stricta	Slender shrub often forming clumps	2m		1	3	Landscaping, understorey plant in shaded areas	Fruit attracts birds
Jackwood Cryptocarya glaucescens	Medium sized dense-crowned Rf tree, producing wrinkled black fruit in Autumn	10m		1	2	Cabinet timber species	Fruit attracts birds

Common/botanical name	Brief description	Max Height	Fast Growing	Protect when young	Frost Resis- tant	Other uses	Wildlife
Murrogun Cryptocarya microneura	Medium sized Rf species producing shiny black fruit in summer/autumn	10m		1	2	Reasonably hardy species for Rf planting	Fruit attracts birds
Pepperberry tree Cryptocarya obovata	Medium to tall densely-crowned Rf tree with hairy new growth and dark leaves	18m		1	3	Good shade tree	Fruit attracts birds
Cuttsia Cuttsia viburnea	Small, soft-leaved Rf species producing snowy white flowers in spring/summer, usually on shaded rocky banks, dislikes drying out	6m		1	3	Useful understorey species for shaded, rocky sites	
Tree Fern Cyathea spp.	Tall, single trunked fern	8m		1	3	Useful understorey species for protected, shaded areas	
Native Tamarind Diploglottis australis	Attractive tall Rf tree with large leaves and rusty hairy new growth	15m		1	3	Fruit attracts birds	Fruit attracts birds
Rosewood Dysoxylum fraserianum	Medium to tall Rf tree with shady spreading crown, needs water to establish	18m		1	3	Timber is rose scented and used for cabinet work	
Koda Ehretia acuminata	Medium sized Rf tree, deciduous with grey fissured bark and masses of orange fruits in summer/autumn	10m		2	2	Fruits are ornamental	Fruit attracts birds
Blue Quandong Elaeocarpus grandis	Tall, buttressing Rf tree with sparse canopy and large blue fruits in spring/summer	30m	Χ	2	3	Valuable timber tree for interior work, shade tree, edible fruit	Fruit attracts birds
Hard Quandong Elaeocarpus obovatus	Tall Rf tree tolerant of wet soils, hardy, produces masses of small blue fruits	15m		2	2	Useful timber tree for interior work, shade tree	Fruit attracts birds
Green-leaved Rose Walnut Endiandra muelleri	Bushy tree with pink new growth and black fruits in autumn	12m		1	3	Landscaping	Fruit attracts birds
Flooded Gum Eucalyptus grandis	Very tall eucalypt with very smooth bark	35m	X	3	1	Hardwood timber, useful for interior work, cabinet. Good pollen tree	Flowers attract birds, habitat tree
Creek Sandpaper Fig Ficus coronata	Small bushy tree with sandpapery leaves, very hardy, handles floods well	6m		2	2	Excellent riparian species, good erosion control. Edible fruits	Fruit attracts birds
Other Figs Ficus spp.	Large trees with buttress roots and spreading canopy	20m		1	3	Excellent shade trees, edible fruits	Fruit attracts birds
Cudgerie, Bumpy Ash Flindersia schottiana	Tall tree with open canopy, very hardy	20m	Χ	2	2	Very fast growing tree, ideal for Rf regeneration, useful timber for indoor work	
Cheese Tree Glochidion ferdinandi	Tree has spreading canopy with attractive foliage, fruit looks like small cheeses, hardy	8m		2	2	Excellent riparian regeneration species and shade tree	Fruit attracts birds
White Beech Gmelina leichhardtii	Medium sized Rf tree with spreading canopy and large purple fruits in summer/autumn	15m		1	3	Valuable timber species, good shade tree	Fruit attracts birds
Guioa Guioa semiglauca	Small Rf tree, leaves with silvery underside , hardy	10m		2	2	Attractive tree for landscaping. Useful for Rf regeneration	Fruit attracts birds
Native Frangipani Hymenosporum flavum	Small Rf tree producing numerous yellow and white flowers in spring	10m	Χ	3	1	Useful species for Rf regeneration	Flowers attract birds

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Foambark Jagera pseudorhus	Small Rf tree with attractive ferny foliage and hairy yellow-brown fruits, hardy	12m			2	2	Very attractive tree for landscaping, useful for Rf regeneration	Fruit attracts birds
Thin-fruited Tea Tree Leptospermum brachyandrum	Small multi-trunked tree, common in the catchment, bark peels in spring turning from copper colour to white, very hardy	4m	X		3	1	Good erosion control species, can be used for direct seeding	Good habitat species for shading stream
Mat-rush Lomandra hystrix	Small, tussocky rush forming thick clumps, very hardy	1m	X		3	1	Good for erosion control if planted in sufficient density, large spreading root system	Good stream edge habitat species
Brush Box Lophostemon confertus	Tall tree with spreading growth when grown in open, hardy	25m	X		2	2	Good hardwood timber, shade tree, good quality nectar and pollen for bees	Useful habitat tree when large
Red Kamala Mallotus philippensis	Small, bushy dense-crowned Rf tree producing hard red capsules in spring/summer. Very hardy.	8-20m			2	2	Useful Rf regeneration plant. Fruit can be used for dye, wood suitable for tool handles	
White Cedar Melia azedarach	Very hardy deciduous tree, drought tolerant	10-20m	X		3	1	Cabinet timber species	Fruit attracts birds
White Euodia Melicope micrococca	Small Rf tree with light green foliage. Leaflets arranged in threes	10m	X		1	2	Useful Rf regeneration species on protected sites	Fruit attracts birds
Yellow Pear-fruit Mischocarpus pyriformis	Small Rf tree with dark green foliage. Fruits yellow and pear-shaped	10m			1	3	Landscaping, understorey plant	Fruit attracts birds
White Bolly-gum Neolitsea dealbata	Small bushy tree with large drooping leaves which are vivid white underneath	10m			1	3	Landscaping, understory tree	Fruit attracts birds
Rusty Plum Niemeyera whitei	Medium sized Rf tree with large leaves that are rusty-hairy beneath, large black fruits in spring	10m			1	3	Feature tree for rainforest plantings	Fruit attracts birds
<b>Sweet Pittosporum</b> <i>Pittosporum undulatum</i>	Small bushy tree with fragrant flowers in spring, hardy	8m	X		3	1	Landscaping plant, low wind-break tree, good for Rf regen	Fruit attracts birds
Black Apple Pouteria australe	Medium-sized Rf tree with dark glossy leaves and large black fruits in spring/summer	12m			1	3	The large black fruits are edible	Fruit attracts birds
Maidens Blush Sloanea australis	Rf tree with spreading shady canopy and large glossy toothed leaves, likes plenty of water	15m			1	3	Useful timber tree for interior work	Fruit attracts birds
Yellow Carabeen Sloanea woollsii	Rf tree with spreading shady canopy and toothed leaves, likes plenty of water	15m			1	3	Useful timber tree for interior work	Fruit attracts birds
<b>Brush Cherry</b> Syzygium australe	Small, dense crowned Rf tree with dark green leaves and red fruits from summer to early winter	10m			2	2	Edible fruit, good riparian Rf regeneration species	Fruit attracts birds, good host for ferns
Red Cedar Toona ciliata	Large deciduous Rf tree with spreading canopy, hardy	20m	X		2	2	Good shade tree, valuable cabinet timber, subject to attack by tip moth	Good host for epiphytes
<b>Water Gum</b> Tristaniopsis laurina	Medium-sized tree with flaky bark, yellow flowers in summer, hardy	12m	X		2	1	Useful erosion control species, a good nectar & pollen species, can be used for direct seeding	Roots provide habitat for stream dwelling animals
Weeping Lilly Pilly Waterhousea floribunda	Medium-sized tree, densely crowned with weeping foliage, round green fruit in summer/autumn, hardy	10-15m	X		2	2	Attractive tree, excellent erosion control species with mat like root system	Roots provide habitat for stream dwelling animals



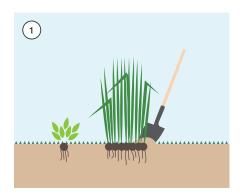
# How do I plant my selected species?

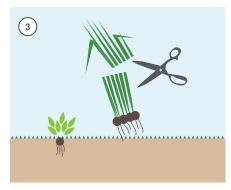
#### Planting on the toe

Plants on the toe are low growing multitrunked plants with matted roots to bind the toe. They are the best species for erosion control and can survive inundation and fast flowing water.

#### 1. Division or direct transplant

Mature clumps of Lomandra can be dug up, divided and directly transplanted to moist soil or gravel. Seedlings of Bottlebrush or Tea Tree can also be directly transplanted from site to site. Seed may be collected and spread where needed.

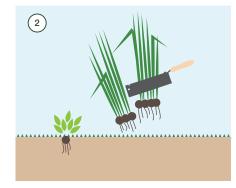


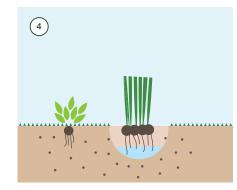


#### 2. Standard tubestock

Lomandra, can be purchased cheaply as tubestock and planted densely at locations where erosion potential is strong or at close spacings along the toe. (0.5-1m spacings). They can be planted most of the year in the Nambucca except in winter when frosts may occur. Give follow up watering and weed control where necessary. Weeds slow the growth of native plants by taking water and nutrients. Cattle must be fenced out until Lomandra mature.

Bottle brush and Tea tree may also be planted close to the toe.





### Planting on the middle bank

The middle bank will typically contain medium sized trees with strong root systems and larger canopies which shade the stream. Plants such as the Lilly Pillies, Figs, Cheese Tree and Backhousia all display these features.

- Buy your selected species in tubestock from a reputable nursery preferably one who uses locally collected seeds or better still collect your own seeds from trees on your property and propagate your own. (Refer to the Further Reading section on page?)
- Plant when soil is moist and there is no danger of frost. Late spring and early autumn are ideal times in the Nambucca.
- Dig a hole twice the width of the pot, after planting firm the soil to remove air pockets. If planting in coarser materials place some fine soil in the planting hole. Water in well. Plant at spacings of 2m.
- 4. Give follow up water, particularly for the first month. Carry out weed control on a regular basis. Placing a stake adjacent to the tree will mark its location making the task of weeding easier. Check for damage by animals and protect where needed. It is imperative to keep the weeds suppressed around the seedling until the plant grows higher than the surrounding weeds as the weeds will slow the growth or even kill the plant by taking available water and nutrients or by smothering the plant.



Brushbox Lophostemon confertus

#### Planting on the upper bank/floodplain

The upper bank contains larger trees with deep root systems. Your selected species may be planted at 2m spacings or wider, depending on their potential growth. Check the table above or go to the main species list. The width of your riparian planting will be specific to your site, seek advice from Nambucca Valley Landcare and ask for a site visit.

Plant as for middle bank species again making sure the trees are staked/marked and well maintained against weed growth.





# Revegetating Estuarine River Banks

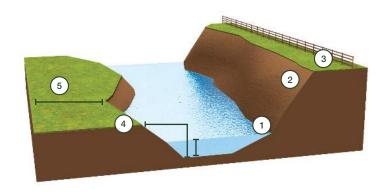
## Mangroves: Important Coastal Ecosystem

Mangroves are trees and shrubs forming forests on the intertidal shallows of estuaries. They are adapted to a harsh and everchanging environment with changing salinity, temperature, substrate, oxygen, currents, floods, nutrients and pollutants. Mangrove forests are extremely productive ecosystems providing habitats for many fish species, crabs, birds and other animals.

Mangroves provide protection against wave and flood erosion, act as a filter for nutrients and pollutants and have been used for wood, boat building, tanning bark and medicines.

There are three species of mangroves in the Nambucca. The Grey Mangrove Avicennia marina, River Mangrove Aegicerus corniculatum and Milky Mangrove. Each of the Mangrove species has their own particular tolerance of salt and this is reflected in their occurrence on the estuary. Generally speaking only the Grey Mangrove occurs in the lower estuary where salt levels are highest. Similarly only the River Mangrove is found at the upstream end of the estuary where salt levels are lowest. The middle estuary has both species, usually a taller canopy of the larger Grey Mangrove with an understorey of River Mangrove. Such a community can be seen around Macksville. Milky mangrove has similar salt tolerances to the river mangrove but only has a small presence in the Nambucca.

# Estuarine Riverbanks – some terminology



- 1 Toe of bank
  Lower part or base of bank
- 2 Upper bank
  Topmost part of the face
  of the bank
- Top of bank Flat or mostly level section

- 4 Total bank height
  Bank height + water depth
- 5 Setback distance
  Active area of restoration
  = twice total bank height

#### Zones of the Nambucca Estuary

The factors that most influence the vegetation distribution within the estuary are salt exposure and regular fluctuations in water level caused by the tides. As these change with distance from the sea so does the species composition of the riparian vegetation. There are a number of dominant plant species whose presence indicates a general set of environmental conditions. These indicator species have been used to break up the

gradual change in species composition into zones. The four common species in the Nambucca used to divide the estuary into four zones are the Grey Mangrove, River Mangrove, Swamp Oak and River Oak in a sequence of decreasing salt tolerance. These species do not occur exclusively in these zones but they occur most commonly there. By understanding the natural habitat of native plants one can then reinstate this habitat with a far greater chance of success.

Zone A
Predominantly saline



**Zone B**Brackish - saline



Zone C
Brackish

Zone D

Freshwater - brackish



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List of plants found in Zones A & B
Nambucca River Estuary - species by location (see map of zones)

	To a of house	Middle of book	Top of book
	Toe of bank	Middle of bank	Top of bank
ZONE A	Grey Mangrove Avicennia marina	Grey Mangrove Avicennia marina (mid-upper bank) Swamp Oak Casuarina glauca Swamp Rush Juncus sp.	Red Ash Alphitonia excelsa Swamp Oak Casuarina glauca Tuckeroo Cupaniopsis anarcardioides Hard Quandong Elaeocarpus obovatus Rusty Fig Ficus rubiginosa Cheese Tree Glochidion ferdinandi Guioa Guioa semiglauca Broad-leaved Paperbark Melaleuca quinquenervia Yellow Pear Fruit Mischocarpus pyriformis
ZONE B	Grey Mangrove Avicennia marina River Mangrove Aegicerus corniculatum	Swamp Oak Casuarina glauca Tuckeroo Cupaniopsis anarcardioides River Lilly Crinum pedunculatum Hard Quandong Elaeocarpus obovatus Guioa Guioa semiglauca Cheese Tree Glochidion ferdinandi	Blackwood Acacia melanoxylon Red Ash Alphitonia excelsa Swamp Oak Casuarina glauca Willow Bottlebrush Callistemon salignus Grey Ironbark Eucalyptus peniculata Blackbutt Eucalyptus pilularis Rusty Fig Ficus rubiginosa Deciduous Fig Ficus superba Cudgerie Flindersia schottiana Foambark Jagera pseudorhus Broad-leaved Paperbark Melaleuca quinquenervia



Tea Tree

Mat Rush

Leptospermum

brachyandrum

Lomandra hystrix

List of plants found in Zones C & D
Nambucca River Estuary - species by location (see map of zones)

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	Toe of bank	Middle of bank	Top of bank
ZONE C	Lower - toe of bank River Mangrove Aegicerus corniculatum Swamp Oak Casuarina glauca River Lilly Crinum pedunculatum Upper - toe of bank Hard Quandong Elaeocarpus obovatus Cheese Tree Glochidion ferdinandi Guioa Guioa semiglauca Mat Rush Lomandra hystrix	Red Ash Alphitonia excelsa Willow Bottlebrush Callistemon salignus Weeping Bottlebrush Callistemon viminalis Swamp Oak Casuarina glauca Tuckeroo Cupaniopsis anarcardioides Hard Quandong Elaeocarpus obovatus Sandpaper Fig Ficus coronata Cheese Tree Glochidion ferdinandi Guioa Guioa semiglauca Foambark Jagera pseudorhus Tea Tree Leptospermum brachyandrum Mat Rush Lomandra hystrix Water Gum Tristaniopsis laurina	Blackwood Acacia melanoxylon Green Wattle Acacia irrorata Brown Kurrajong Commersonia bartramia Rose Walnut Endiandra discolor Tallowwood Eucalyptus microcorys Rusty Fig Ficus rubiginosa Brush Box Lophostemon confertus Broad-leaved Paperbark Melaleuca quinquenervia Prickly Paperbark Melaleuca styphelioides Brush Cherry Syzygium australe Crabapple Schizomera ovata Native Guava Rhodomyrtus psidioides
ZONED	River Mangrove Aegicerus corniculatum Swamp Oak Casuarina glauca Upper - toe of bank Red Bottlebrush Callistemon viminalis River Oak Casuarina cunninghamiana Hard Quandong Elaeocarpus obovatus Sandpaper Fig Ficus coronata Cheese Tree Glochidion ferdinandi Guioa Guioa semiglauca	Lilly Pilly Acmena smithii  River Oak Casuarina cunninghamiana Rose Walnut Endiandra discolor Foambark Jagera pseudorhus Yellow Pear Fruit Mischocarpus pyriformis Native Guava Rhodomyrtus psidioides Crabapple Schizomera ovata Brush Cherry Syzygium australe	Blackwood Acacia melanoxylon Brown Kurrajong Commersonia bartramia Tuckeroo Cupaniopsis anarcardioides Flooded Gum Eucalyptus grandis Tallowwood Eucalyptus microcorys Rusty Fig Ficus rubiginosa Superb Fig Ficus superba Bleeding Heart Homalanthus populifolius Brush Box

Water Gum

Tristaniopsis laurina

Weeping Lilly Pilly

Waterhousea floribunda

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White Cedar

Red Cedar

Toona ciliata

Melia azedarach

Lophostemon confertus





Melaleuca Swamp. Image courtesy of WetlandCare Australia.

#### **Wetland Plants**

Wetlands are areas of land that are either temporarily or permanently covered by water. They support a large variety of plant and animal species that are adapted to fluctuating water levels.

Wetlands act as the "kidneys" of our waterways, filtering out pollutants and improving the quality of water entering our waterways. Many fish species require wetlands to complete part of their life cycles and bird species as breeding and roosting sites.

A healthy wetland will have a variety of native riparian vegetation which has a multitude of benefits for that wetland. It will be subject to natural seasonal water flows and inundation and will be fenced, if necessary, to control stock access to the area. A healthy wetland will be more resistant to weed infestation. See page? for a list of common wetland weeds in the Nambucca.

Wetland plants bind soil and mud within and adjacent to wetlands, reducing erosion of soil and suspended sediment in the water. Wetlands with complex vegetation support a greater diversity of wildlife. Diverse systems tend to have greater numbers of predators including birds, fish, frogs and predatory insects resulting in fewer nuisance insects, hence benefiting stock and crop health and production.

If you have a degraded wetland on your property and you wish to restore it, the lists of species which follow may assist you. However in some cases it may not be necessary to replant as perhaps just fencing off the area will allow natural regeneration to occur. Contact Nambucca Valley Landcare or Wetland Care Australia for advice and possible assistance.

There are many types of wetlands depending on their location. The following table describes these types and lists some dominant plant species.



Wetland Type/ Location	Water Regime/ Source	Dominant Plants	
Mangroves and sea grasses (found in the estuary, along the coast and coastal rivers)	Tidal	Seagrass Zostera capricorni Halodule spp. Posidonia australis	Mangroves Avicennia marina Aegecerus corniculatum Hibiscus tiliaceus Excoecaria agallocha
Saltmarsh (found in estuarine, high tide areas)	Tidal	Grass Sporobolus virginicus Sedge/Rush Juncus kraussii	Herb Triglochin striatum Sarcocornia quinqueflora Tree Casuarina glauca
Dunal wetlands (wet heath wetlands on sand near the ocean)	Rainfall and runoff High watertable	Sedge/Rush Baumea juncea Fimbristylis spp	Tree Banksia ericifolia Melaleuca quinquenervia Leptospermum lievesidgei
Backswamps	Rainfall and runoff Groundwater Tidal influence	Grass Phragmites australis Paspalm distichum	Sedge/Rush Bolboschoenus spp. Eleocharis spp.
Open freshwater wetlands (near river channels and in low areas)	Rainfall and runoff	Sedge/Rush Lepironia articulata	Herb Persicaria hydropiper Persicaria strigosa Tree Melaleuca alternifolia Melaleuca quinquenervia
Paperbark wetlands (floodplain)	Rainfall and runoff	Vine Parsonsia straminea Sedge/Rush Baumea spp. Gahnia clarkei	Tree Casuarina glauca Melaleuca quinquenervia Glodhidion ferdinandi Melicope elleryana Lophestemon suaveolens Eucalyptus robusta

# **List of Wetland Plants** Local native species by location

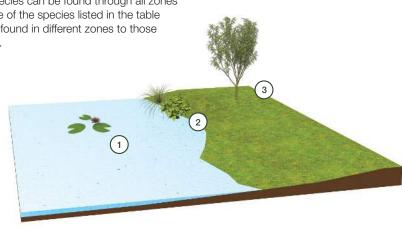
## **Wetland Zones**

Wetland plants fall into three zones:

- Submerged plants.
- Plants that grow on the very edge of the water.
- Fringing or riparian vegetation.

Some species can be found through all zones and some of the species listed in the table could be found in different zones to those indicated.

- Submerged zone to open water
- Edge Zone
- Fringing Vegetation









Submerged zone to open water	Edge zone	Fringing vegetation
Submerged Plants	Grasses/Sedges	Trees
Aponogeton elongatus	Baumea articulata	Acmena smithii
Ceratophyllum demersum	Bolboschoenus caldwellii	Casuarina glauca
Elatine gratioloides	Bolboschoenus fluviatilis	Commersonia bartramia
Hydrilla verticilliata	Cyperus exaltatus	Endiandra sieberi
Myriophyllum spp.	Cyperus spp.	Lophostemon suaveolens
Najas marina	Eleocharis acuta	Malaleuca quinquenervia
Potamogeton crispus	Eleocharis dulcis	Melicope elleryana
Utricularia australis	Eleocharis equisetina	Grasses/Sedges
Utricularia spp.	Juncus spp.	Baumea juncea
Vallisneria australis	Juncus usitatus	Baumea rubiginosa
Vallisneria nana	Lepironia articulata	Eleocharis acuta
Floating on surface	Phragmites australis	Eleocharis dulcis
Marsilea mutica	Philydrum lanuginosum	Gahnia clarkei
Nymphoides indica.	Schoenoplectus litoralis	Gahnia spp.
Nymphaea gigantea	Schoenoplectus validus	Juncus spp.
Ottelia ovalifolia	Scirpus spp.	Juncus usitatus
Potamogeton octandrus	Typha spp.	Leersia hexandra
	Floating plants	Paspalum distichum
	Azolla spp.	Herbs
	Lemna trisulca	Persicaria elatior
	Herbs	Persicaria stigosa
	Crinium pedunculatum	
	Bacopa monnieri	
	Ludwigia octovalvis	
	Persicaria spp.	
	Triglochin procera (fresh water)	
	Triglochin striatum	



# Plants to minimise the impact of fire

## Flammability

All plants will burn given a hot enough fire, but some have features that minimise the extent to which they contribute to the spread of bushfires. When choosing plants for the area surrounding your home or farm infrastructure choose ones that are less highly flammable.

Features of plants that are less flammable include:

- High salt content of leaves
- High moisture content of leaves
- Low volatile oil content of leaves
- Thick bark protecting conductive tissues and dormant buds
- Seeds enclosed in woody capsules
- Dense crown
- Lowest branches out of reach of ground fires

# Suggestions to reduce the threat of fire

- Avoid using plants that retain or accumulate dead leaves and twigs, especially if this material is continuous from the ground to the crown, as these will burn easily.
- Thick bark will protect trees, but may be a fire hazard if it is loose, fibrous or stringy, for example Blackbutt, Flooded Gum. These types of bark easily ignite and encourage fire to spread through the crown of the trees. Wind can carry burning bark away, especially loose, flaky or ribbon bark, to start new fires, a process called spotting. Choose trees that have smooth bark.

- Avoid plants with high levels of volatile oils in the leaves. For example Eucalypts, Bottlebrush and Melaleucas can burst into flame when heated thus increasing fire intensity.
- Ensure vegetation does not provide a path for the transfer of fire to the house. Plant trees spaced out, or in groups with clear areas in between, and avoid planting close to buildings.

## Regeneration

Most Australian natives have evolved with fire and many can regrow after a fire. They have survival mechanisms such as dormant buds, thick bark and woody capsules to protect seeds, or they store seed in the soil. Introduced plants have fewer survival mechanisms.

Eucalypts can re-shoot from dormant buds beneath their bark. However, young eucalypts may die in a fire depending on the intensity. Casuarinas and some acacias re-shoot from roots. Some Eucalypts, Acacias, Tea Trees, Banksias, Hakeas and Bottlebrush regenerate from seed. Seed of many Acacias are stored in the soil and germinate after fire. Larger Acacias are more tolerant of fire than smaller ones.

Plants that are more tolerant to fire may provide a valuable refuge and source of food after a fire for wildlife such as small marsupials, nectar-feeding birds, bees and other insects.



Trees and Shrubs	
Acmena smithii	Lilly Pilly
Alpinia caerulea	Native Ginger
Breynia oblongifolia	Breynia
Brachyciton acerifolius	Flame Tree
Ceratopetalum apetalum	Coachwood
Cupaniopsis anacardioides	Tuckeroo
Doryphora sassafras	Sassafras
Elaeocarpus reticulatus	Blueberry Ash
Eupokatia laurina	Native Guava, Bolwarra
Ficus coronata	Sandpaper Fig
Glochidion ferdinandi	Cheese Tree
Lophostemon confertus	Brushbox
Melia azaderach	White Cedar
Myoporum acuinatum	Mangrove Boobialla
Pittosporum revolutum	Yellow Pittosporum
Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum
Podocarpus elatus	Plum Pine
Sloanea australis	Maiden's Blush
Stenocarpus salignus	Scrub Beefwood
Synoum glandulosum	Scentless Rosewood
Tristaniopsis laurina	Water Gum
Groundcovers	
Cissus antartica	Kangaroo Grape
Crinum pedunculatum	Swamp Lily
Dianella caerula	Blue Flax Lilly
Dioscorea transversa	Native Yam
Doodia aspera	Rasp Fern
Hardenbergia violacea	Hardenbergia, False Sarsaparilla
Smilax glyciphylla	Native Sarsaparilla
Viola hederacea	Native Violet





# Plants for under power lines

Trees are best avoided under power lines as they are likely to grow too tall and it will then be necessary at some stage to cut them down. Plant native shrubs checking in the species chart their potential heights before choosing. Some good species to plant might be the Brush Kurrajong, Bottlebrushes, Tea Trees and Banksias.

# Plants for shade, shelter, screens or windbreaks

#### Windbreaks on farms

Most farms can benefit from windbreaks to protect the home, livestock, crops and pastures. Windbreaks will also help prevent erosion, provide habitat for wildlife, reduce evaporation from farm dams and retard grass fires.

For most purposes permeable windbreaks which let some wind through are most suitable. More dense windbreaks may be needed in some cases. The desired permeability can be obtained by carefully selecting tree and shrub species. Species such as Pines and Cypresses will form dense windbreaks but most native species are more permeable.

Location of the windbreak will depend on the direction of the most damaging winds, topography and the shelter requirements of the farm enterprise. Generally speaking, in the Nambucca, the most severe winds come from the west in spring (Aug/Sept), so planting to the west will protect your home from the worst winds and afternoon sun in summer. Windbreaks are most effective when they have the right height to length ratio: the length of uninterrupted windbreak should be at least 12 times the height, and the taller the windbreak the greater the area protected. Where shorter windbreaks are required select shorter growing trees and shrubs so that the ratio of length to height is maintained. It is also important that the width of the windbreak is not more than three times its height. Windbreaks that are too wide result in less area being sheltered.

Windbreaks of about three rows of trees and shrubs are effective for most farms in the Nambucca.

Plant tall growing native species in the centre rows and smaller bushy native species in the outside rows. If you are short of space on a very small farm and you must plant fewer rows or a single row choose species that retain their foliage to the ground and make fairly dense growth. She-oaks, Wattles and Melaleuca species may be suitable. Eucalypts are generally unsuitable for single rows due to their loss of lower limbs. If planting wattles choose local species of Wattles and plant on the outside of windbreaks as they are short lived and therefore likely to fall before other species

It is important to use a mixture of species in both shrub and tree layers when planting your windbreak or screen. This diversity of plants will attract a greater diversity of birds by providing an attractive habitat for them. In turn they will control the insects or pests that may attack your trees. Myrtle Rust, a disease that attacks a variety of native species, is currently increasing in prevalence in the Nambucca. Contact the Department of Primary Industries for more information. (see Contacts section)



# List of native plants for windbreaks and screens

Species suitable for the Nambucca

Trees suitable for windbreaks	
Acacia spp.	Wattles (see species list local species)
Allocasuarina spp.	Forest Oak, She-Oak
Anetholea anisata	Ringwood
Araucaria cunninghamii	Hoop Pine
Eucalyptus acmenoides	White Mahogany
Eucalyptus microcorys	Tallowwood
Harpullia pendula	Tulipwood
Lophostemon confertus	Brush Box
Malaleuca quinquenervia	Common Paperbark
Podocarpus elatus	Plum Pine
Syncarpia glomulifera	Turpentine

Shrubs or low Trees suitable for windbreaks							
Acmena smithii	Lilly Pilly						
Elaeocarpus reticulatus	Blueberry Ash						
Callistemon salignus	Willow Bottlebrush						
Callistemon viminalis	Weeping Bottlebrush						
Leptospermum brachiandrum	Thin-fruited Tea Tree						
Malaleuca thymifolia	Thyme Honey Myrtle						
Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum						
Syzygium australe	Brush Cherry						

Shrubs or low Trees suitable for screens/	hedges
Acacia fimbriata	Fringed Wattle
Acmena smithii	Lilly Pilly
Allocasuarina torulosa	Forest Oak
Backhousia myrtifolia	Grey Myrtle
Callicoma serratifolia	Black Wattle
Callistemon salignus	Willow Bottlebrush
Commersonia bartramiana	Brown Kurrajong
Glochidion ferdinandi	Cheese Tree
Guioa semiglauca	Guioa
Neolitsia dealbata	White Bolly Gum
Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum
Syzygium australe	Brush Cherry
Syzygium oleosum	Blue Lilly Pilly
Tristaniopsis laurina	Water Gum





# Shade and Shelter

When planting trees for shade and shelter choose native species that have some or all of the following characteristics:

- Broad canopy
- Dense canopy
- Large leaves
- Minimal limb and debris loss
- Fast growing
- Frost hardy

Also consider whether it is deciduous, such as red or white cedar, and whether it will grow well in the chosen situation, for example in an

open paddock. For best results a clump of trees will grow better and provide improved shade qualities. There are numerous benefits for your stock having adequate shade, so planting a clump of trees at stock watering points or troughs can often mean the stock do not need to use the river bank for shade. This minimises bank erosion, keeping water quality higher.

Some trees that look thick with a wide canopy on some sites may not end up the same if planted on a different site. If the site is not ideal for the plant it may not grow to its full potential. Check the plant requirements or look at the soils or habitat where it grows well and try to match that for best results.



## List of plants for shade and shelter

Species suitable for the Nambucca

Plants suitable for shade and s	helter
Acmena smithii	Lilly Pilly
Anetholea anisata	Ringwood/Aniseed Tree
Cryptocarya glaucescens	Pepperberry Tree
Elaeocarpus obovatus	Hard Quandong
Elaeocarpus grandis	Blue Quandong
Glochidion ferdinandi	Cheese Tree
Gmelina leichardtii	White Beech
Lophostemon confertus	Brushbox
Ficus macrophylla	Moreton Bay Fig
Ficus rubiginosa	Rusty Fig
Jagera pseudorus	Foam Bark Tree
Neolitsea dealbata	White Bolly Gum
Waterhousea floribunda	Weeping Lilly Pilly



Thin-fruited Tea Tree Leptospermum brachyandrum

# Plants for low water consumption gardens

There are many ways we can reduce water consumption in the garden and by planting local native species which are adapted to local climatic conditions you will have a head start as their needs for water are generally less than introduced species.

The following are more ways of saving water, time and effort:

- Use raised garden beds as these retain the water better in dry times as well as having improved drainage in wetter times.
- Water plants deeply and infrequently to encourage deeper roots otherwise shallow roots will develop, becoming dependent on frequent watering.

- Time your watering, evening watering in summer and morning watering in winter to avoid wet plants being frozen.
- Use drip irrigation instead of surface spraying.
- Group plants with similar watering requirements together. Higher waterrequiring plants can be planted in a shady, sheltered location and lower waterrequiring plants can be placed in areas which have more sun and exposure.
- Add compost to your soil to improve the quality and water holding properties of your soil.
- Mulch your garden beds with deep mulch. (see page ? for more information on mulching)

The following table lists some local native species that have low water requirements.

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## List of plants for low water consumption gardens

Species suitable for the Nambucca

Trees	
Allocasuarina torulosa	Forest Oak
Banksia spp.	Banksias
Brachychiton acerifolius	Flame Tree
Brachychiton discolor	Lacebark Tree
Casuarina spp.	She-Oak
Corymbia gummifera	Red Bloodwood
Corymbia intermedia	Pink Bloodwood
Corymbia maculata	Spotted Gum
Cupaniopsis anacardioides	Tuckeroo
Eucalyptus pilularis	Blackbutt
Eucalyptus propinqua	Grey Gum
Hymenosporum flavum	Native Frangipani
Melia azederach	White Cedar
Syncarpia glomulifera	Turpentine
Shrubs	
Acacia spp.	Wattles
Grevillia spp.	Grevillias
Jacksonia scoparia	Dog Wood
Leptospermum spp.	Tea Trees
Callistemon spp.	Bottlebrush
Vines and Small Plants <1m	
Dianella spp.	Flax Lilly
Geitonoplesium cymosum	Scrambling Lilly
Hardenbergia violacea	Native Sarsaparilla
Hibbertia scandens	Climbing Guinea Flower
Hibbertia dentata	Trailing Guinea Flower
Lomandra longifolia	Long-leaf Mat Rush
Themeda australis	Kangaroo Grass



# Establishing native bird habitat in your garden

Collectively, domestic gardens constitute one of the largest areas of vegetation remaining within our man-made landscapes and are therefore vitally important as potential refuges for native birds and other wildlife. While we do have a diverse range of native birds in our urbanised environments there has also been a noticeable change in the make up of species and types of birds which use our gardens.

Small native birds such as the Red-browed Finch and Superb Fairy-wren are becoming less common, replaced by more dominant and aggressive species such as the Noisy Miner, Pied Currawong and the Rainbow Lorikeet. This indicates that gardens are not always bird friendly, and that birds are often exposed to a wide range of challenging conditions, and potentially harmful disturbances.

Understanding the resource needs of native birds and what sort of garden attracts large numbers of some introduced birds will help you to develop suitable habitats in the garden.

The following hints will help you maximise your garden's potential to support a healthy native bird community.

## Things you can do

- Use native local plant species as they are adapted to local conditions and have existing relationships with local fauna.
- Develop structural diversity in your garden. Choose for variety and complexity.
   A diverse range of plants with a mix of native herbs, shrubs and trees will provide a range of habitats and resources for the local bird populations.
- Reduce lawn area. Exotic species such as the Indian Myna prefer a simplistic garden structure which is open and devoid of

- dense shrubbery. Converting lawn into garden will also reduce lawn mowing and maintenance.
- 4. Nest boxes can provide hollow-dwelling native birds with much needed shelter. Ensure your box is built to be Indian Myna proof and is regularly maintained. (Contact Nambucca Valley Landcare for more information on proofing your boxes).
- 5. Provide a bird bath. Ensure baths are kept clean and maintained regularly.

#### Things you should avoid

- Feeding birds. The birds we feed are usually already dominant species that do not need help finding food. It is more beneficial to establish a garden with a diverse range of native plants which can provide natural food resources for an array of native birdlife.
- Planting exotic species. Species such as Cocos Palm Syagrus romonzoffiana are ideal habitat for feral animals such as the Indian Myna and Common Rat.
- 3. Planting hybrid natives. Many of the large-flowered hybrid varieties of Grevilleas encourage large and aggressive honey eaters such as the Noisy Miner and Red Wattlebird. Selecting non-hybrid species which produce smaller flowers will attract less common nectar feeders to your garden.
- 4. Feeding your pets outside. Feeding your dog or cat indoors will reduce the amount of available food for pests such as the Indian Myna bird. Chooks and rabbits can also be fed inside their enclosure to discourage opportunistic scavengers.

The following table has the requirements of different birds and suggested local plant species.



## List of plants specific to bird types

Species suitable for the Nambucca

Bird Type	Habitat Preference	Recommended Local Plant Species			
Large Nectivores (nectar feeders)	Shrubs and trees for foraging, perching and nesting.	Paperbark (Melaleuca quinqenervia) Bottlebrush (Callistemon citrinus),			
Honeyeaters and some parrots e.g. Noisy Miner, Little Wattlebirds, Rainbow and Scaly- breasted Lorikeets	Some also require hollows for nesting.	Banksia (B. spinulosa, B.ericifolia), Willow-leaved Hakea (H.salicifolia), Eucalyptus spp.			
Small Nectivores	Spend most time foraging and	Grevillea (Grevillea linearifolia),			
Honeyeaters e.g. Eastern Spinebill, New Holland Honeyeater, Brown Honeyeater	perching in shrubs, but also use trees.  Generally nest in dense shrubs.	Honey Myrtle (Melaleuca thymifolia), Coastal Beard-heath (Leucopogon parviflorus), Common Correa (Correa reflexa)			
Granivores (Seed Eaters)	Utilise shrubs and trees for	Trees & shrubs: Wattles (Acacia			
Parrots, finches and pigeons e.g. Eastern Rosella, Pale-headed Rosella, Common	perching, nesting and foraging, but also forage on mature grasses.	fimbriata, A. suaveolens), Forest Oak (Allocasuarina torulosa), Tea Trees (Leptospermun laevigatum, L. petersonii)			
Bronzewing, Red-browed Finch, Double-barred Finch, Chestnut-breasted Manikin		Grasses: Wiry Panic (Entolasia stricta), Basket Grass (Oplismenus aemulus), Wire Grass (Aristida spp.), Plumegrass (Dichelachne crinita), Hedgehog Grass (Echinopogon spp.), Weeping Grass (Microlaena stipoides), Kangaroo Grass (Themeda australis)			
Frugivores (Fruit Eaters) Pigeons and cuckoos e.g. Wonga Pigeon, Common Koel, Silvereye, Satin Bowerbird	Trees and shrubs for shelter and protection.	Figs (Ficus fraseri, F. rubiginosa), Lilly Pillies (Acmena, Syzygium & Waterhousea spp.), Blueberry Ash (Eleocarpus reticulatus), Walking-stick Palm (Linospadix monostachyos)			
Insectivores	Dense shrubs important for	Mat Rush (Lomandra hystrix,			
Superb Fairy-wren, Eastern Yellow Robin, Spotted & Striated Pardalotes, Willie Wagtail	protection and nest sites, as well as some open areas for foraging.  Insects and invertebrates found in bark and foliage, as well as on the ground.	L. longifolia), Banksia spp., Tea Tree spp., Hakea spp., Guinea Flower (Hibbertia scandens, H. dentata), Coastal Beard-heath (Leucopogon parviflorus)			
Carnivores (Meat Eaters)	Tall trees for perching, roosting	Eucalypts, Paperbarks,			
All species of Currawongs, Laughing Kookaburra, Grey & Pied Butcherbirds, Powerful Owl, Black-shouldered Kite, Peregrine Falcon	and nesting.  Some require hollows for nesting.  Food source includes other birds, reptiles, frogs, small mammals and invertebrates.	Figs, Tuckeroo (Cupaniopsis anacardioides), Guioa (Guioa semiglauca), Native Frangipani (Hymenosporum flavum)			



# Plants for Soil Erosion

#### Stream Bed and Bank Erosion

Bed and bank erosion will be exacerbated by lack of vegetation or inappropriate vegetation on the banks of the stream. More information and suggested native species can be found in the Riparian Vegetation starting on page?.

## Mass movement or erosion on slopes and in Gullies

On agricultural land, mass movement and soil erosion can result from combinations of intense rainfall, steep slopes, underlying geology and clearing of deep rooted native vegetation.

## Vegetation

Most landslips occur because there is a decrease in the forces that hold soil and partially weathered rock material together on the slope. As the pore spaces in the soil/ weathered rock fill with water, the ability of the material to stick together or resist movement declines. At the same time the weight of the soil increases, making it more prone to move downhill.

Most prevention and control works involve:

- Diverting excess water.
- Replanting native vegetation, especially deep-rooted trees and shrubs.
- · Excluding stock.

Removal of deep-rooted native vegetation has two impacts. Less vegetation means fewer roots in the soil to hold it together and more water in the soil. Thus it takes smaller rainfall events to fully saturate the soil/weathered rock, and as a consequence create a greater risk of mass movement.

A mixture of quick growing trees and shrubs planted 3-5m apart vertically will intercept rain in the tree canopy, bind soils, lower the water table, and generally stabilise the slope. The best trees for revegetation of mass movement sites are rapid growing, have extensive root structure and a high transpiration rate, and will tolerate the soil conditions. For example, a single eucalyptus tree can transpire up to 500 litres of water a day under favourable conditions.

Choose species that are already growing naturally on similar soils, slopes and aspect. Careful stock management is necessary to allow trees to re-establish and to maintain at least 90% soil cover.

## Treating shallow slides and slumps on steeper, drier slopes

The most effective treatment involves a multi-faceted approach:

- Sow grass seed or legumes on bare soil areas to prevent continuing soil erosion and further slope failure.
- Divert runoff from the top of the slip.
- Smooth out soil debris to help re-grassing and prevent weed invasion.
- Plant trees at close spacings of 3-5m upslope, on and around areas of severe landslip.
- Exclude grazing animals while grass and tree plantings establish.



# Removal of Vegetation

## Managing gully lines

There are several simple, relatively low cost management options for managing existing gully lines to reduce soil loss:

- Fence the sides to keep stock out of gullies; this will encourage faster stabilisation and re-establishment of natural revegetation.
- Establish good vegetation cover on the gully floor to trap sediment and minimise further erosion using plants such as the

- Lomandras and other species that can survive the water flow when it rains.
- Plant trees and shrubs on the edges and above the banks of gullies to stabilise the walls.
- Avoid filling eroded gullies with solid objects like old drums, tyres, car bodies, concrete or rubbish as they tend to concentrate water flows and remove more soil from the gully walls and floor.

Please seek advice. Contact your local Office of Environment and Heritage or NSW DPI.



# **List of plants for soil erosion**Species suitable for the Nambucca

#### Trees and Shrubs Acacia irrorata Green Wattle Acacia melanoxylon Blackwood/Sally Wattle Red Ash Alphitonia excelsa Archontophoenix cunninghamiana Bangalow Palm Callistemon salignus Willow Bottlebrush Commersonia fraseri Brush Kurrajong Elaeocarpus grandis Blue Quandong Elaeocarpus obovatus Blueberry Ash Eucalyptus grandis Flooded Gum Forest Red Gum Eucalyptus tereticornis Flindersia schottiana Cudgerie Glochidion ferdinandi Cheese Tree Lophostemon confertus Brush Box Melaleuca quinquenervia **Broad-leaved Paperbark** Pittosporum undulatum Sweet Pittosporum Polyscias murrayi Pencil Cedar Polyscias sambucifolius Elderberry Ash Ground Covers and Plants <1m Cymbopogon refractus Barb Wire Grass Dianella caerulea Blue Flax Lilly Gahnia spp. Saw Sedges Lomandra hystrix Mat Rush Lomandra Iongifolia Long-leaf Mat Rush Rubus rosifolius Rose-leaf Bramble Themeda triandra Kangaroo Grass

# Removal of Plants -Key Considerations

#### Weeds

- · Identify weed.
- Establish appropriate removal method.
   Using the wrong method may exacerbate the problem unknowingly.
- Determine correct disposal of plant material, eq. seeds, flowers.
- Will removal leave bare soil that may erode easily? eg. steep slopes, beside a watercourse.
- Do I need approval from Nambucca Shire Council or other authorities?
   See following page.
- Perhaps it is in a sensitive area. eg.
   Camphor Laurels in the riparian zone.
- Do I need to replace weeds with native species? Go to 'Weeds in the Nambucca' page?.
- Can I keep up with the follow-up work that is necessary for success? Do not remove too much at once.

Contact the Nambucca Shire Council Weeds Officer or Nambucca Valley Landcare for assistance.

#### Established trees, shrubs

- Identify tree.
- Establish appropriate removal method, considering safety, liability etc.
- Do I need approval from Nambucca Shire Council or other authorities?
- Is the tree protected, threatened or endangered? Go to page?.



Foambark Jagera pseudorhus

- Will tree removal:
- expose you to the elements eg. sun, wind?
- impact visually on you or your neighbours?
- impact on amenity of the area?
- impact on wildlife? Is the tree used by wildlife for nesting or feeding, does it have nesting hollows?
- is there an alternative to removal to improve the situation? eg. branch lopping or gutter and pool guards?
- can the tree be replaced by a more suitable native species?

## Forests/Regrowth

It is very important to maintain existing native vegetation wherever possible.

Before logging or clearing any native vegetation speak with an officer from the Northern Rivers Catchment Management Authority in Coffs Harbour (ph: 02 6653 0112) for clearing or the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) in Kempsey (ph: 02 6561 4987) for logging, as these activities are covered by the Native Vegetation Act 2003.

You may also visit www.environment.nsw.gov. au/vegetation/infosheets

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# Relevant Legislation

# Removal of vegetation that may require consent from Nambucca Shire Council

Nambucca Shire Council does not have tree preservation provisions in place for urban areas, however this does not remove the requirement for persons to be aware of other legislation prior to removing vegetation. Vegetation removal in the following areas may require approval from Council or other government Authority:

- The provisions of the Native Vegetation Act 2003 apply to non-urban zones under the Nambucca LEP 2010 including land zoned:
  - RU1 Primary Production
  - RU2 Rural Landscape
  - RU3 Foresty
  - F1 National Park and Nature Reserves
  - E2 Environmental Protection
  - E3 Environmental Management
  - E4 Environmental Living
  - RE1 Public Recreation
  - RE2 Private Recreation
  - W1 Natural Waterway
  - W2 Recreational Waterway

Vegetation clearing in these zones may require approval from the Catchment Management Authority. For clarification contact the Northern Rivers Catchment Management Authority on 02 6653 0112 or visit their website for more information http://www.northern.cma.nsw.gov.au/.

- Trees within Heritage Conservation Areas and on sites containing Heritage Items (see Clause 5.10 and Schedule 3 of Nambucca Local Environmental Plan 2010) may require consent from Council.
- 3. All development applications need to address section 5A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, which is an ecological test of significance against a proposed development. The test requires an applicant or council to determine if a proposed development will result in a significant impact to a threatened species, population, community or their habitats as listed under the schedules of the *Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995*. Should a significant impact be identified then a species impact statement would be required.
- 4. The Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 also requires a permit to pick or harm any threatened species, population, community or their habitats. Advice should be sought from the Office of Environment and Heritage, where vegetation to be cleared has potential significance.
- 5. A development application on lands greater than one hectare is required to address the provisions State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) 44 - Koala Habitat Protection. The following species (listed on Schedule 2 of SEPP 44) are identified as Koala Feed Tree Species - Forest Red Gum (Eucalyptus tereticornis), Tallowwood (Eucalyptus microcorys), Large-fruited Grey Gum (Eucalyptus biturbinata), Smallfruited Grey Gum (Eucalyptus propingua), Ribbon Gum (Eucalyptus nobilis), Scribbly Gum (Eucalyptus signata) and Swamp Mahogany (Eucalyptus robusta) (NPWS, 2003). Through a quantitative assessment applicants are required to demonstrate if the land is potential and/or core Koala habitat. If core Koala habitat is identified a Koala Plan of Management is required.



Grass Tree Xanthorrhoea spp.

- 6. Within State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) 14 - Coastal Wetlands and SEPP 26 - Littoral Rainforest areas. Such designated lands are marked on a map, a copy of which can be viewed at Council's Administration Offices. Provisions within these SEPP's require that the consent of Council and the concurrence of the Director General of the NSW Department of Planning is required for "clearing" of this land.
- 7. Certain types of development may require a controlled activity approval under the Water Management Act 2000 which may have implications for the removal of vegetation. Other pieces of legislation which may require consideration include the Fisheries Management Act 1994, the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.

Contact: Nambucca Shire Council, Departments of Environment & Planning and Operations & Technical Services

Parks & Reserves Supervisor

Noxious Weeds Inspector

**Environmental Compliance Officer** 

Senior Town Planner

Ph: 02 6568 2555 Fax: 02 6568 2201

Email: council@nambucca.nsw.gov.au

# Requiring Consent from another Authority

Clearing or removal of vegetation in the following situations will generally require consent:

- Clearing of native vegetation on privately owned rural land requires consent from the Northern Rivers Catchment Management Authority (NRCMA) under the Native Vegetation Conservation Act 2003, unless the clearing proposed is specifically exempted under the Act. Contact NRCMA in Coffs Harbour on 02 6653 0112 or go to www.environment.nsw.gov.au/vegetation/infosheets for further information in relation to clearing provisions and exemptions under this Act. To report any possible illegal clearing ring the Enviro line 131555.
- A licence under the *Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995* may be required where the vegetation removal is likely to result in harm to a Threatened Species, Population or Ecological Community or their habitat\*. Contact National Parks & Wildlife (NPWS) NSW Office of Environment & Heritage 02 6659 8240.

<sup>\*</sup> Government policies are subject to review. The above requirements are current at the time of publication.

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- 3. If the vegetation to be removed involves a species listed under the *Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995\**, the application of a "test of significance" to determine potential impacts on Threatened Species, Populations or Ecological Communities is likely to be required. It is the proponent's responsibility to ensure accurate identification of any species proposed to be removed. Assistance in identification may be obtained from OEH or
- 4. Before removing a very old tree contact your Local Aboriginal Land Council to check if the tree has significance to the local Aboriginal people. See 'Contacts' p.?

Nambucca Valley Landcare.

5. A 'controlled activity approval' is required from the NSW Office of Water under the Water Management Act 2000 for works (usually clearing, earthworks, filling or structures) within 40m either side of the bed or banks of a designated watercourse. The primary aim of this approval is to ensure that bank stability is maintained and water quality is not degraded. Contact NSW DPI/ Office of Water on 02 66416500 in Grafton. 6. Consent from DPI Fisheries under the Fisheries Management Act 1994 may be required if removing material from (eg. dredging, gravel extraction) or placing material into waterways (eg. reclamation), this also includes moving snags and instream native aquatic vegetation.
Marine vegetation (Seagrass, Mangroves, Saltmarsh and Kelp) is also protected under the Fisheries Management Act 1994.

Contact: DPI Fisheries Conservation Manager

Ph: 02 6626 1397

Website: www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries

Fish Habitat Protection Policies and Permit Application Forms available at: http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/habitat/protecting-habitats/toolkit.





<sup>\*</sup> Threatened Species may be added or deleted from the Schedules of the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 by determination of the Scientific Committee. The list of threatened tree and plant species known to occur in the Nambucca is current at the time of writing. Species may be added or removed from the schedules of the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995. The most recent information can be obtained from the Atlas of NSW Wildlife. The website address is www.environment.nsw.gov.au/wildlifeatlas where a search for species occurring in the Nambucca LGA may be made. Most data held in the Atlas is publicly available via OEH's BioNet Atlas website at www.bionet.nsw.gov.au Information on Threatened Species conservation in NSW, including detailed profiles of Threatened Species can be found at www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedspecies





# Native Plant Species List

## Legend



▶ Trees >5m



▶ Groundcover < 1m



▶ Vines





▶ Shrubs 1-5m

## Reference Chart

	Ν	Australian Native
Provenance	L	Local Australian Native
	R	Rainforest
Height		shown are generally those achieved by each species under growing conditions - guide only.
Spread	Width of	coverage
	R	Resistant
Frost	Т	Tender when young
	S	Susceptible at all ages.
	1	Red / Brown soils - well drained
	2	Alluvial loams - reasonable drainage
Soil Type	3	Clay soils - poor drainage
71-	4	Wet soils
	5	Sandy Soils
	S	Sun
Aspect	PS	Part Sun
	SH	Shade
	S	Shade
	0	Ornamental
	D	Deciduous
	В	Bird and/or Bat Attraction
Features	BA	Butterfly Attraction
reatures	K	Koala Food
	GBC	Glossy Black Cockatoo Food
	YBG	Yellow Bellied Glider Food
	Н	Hedge
	W	Windbreak
El 0 E 1	FI	Flower Colour
Flower & Fruit Colour	Fr	Fruit Colour
Coloui	Insig	Insignificant
Urban Garden	✓	Suitable
Urban Garden	×	Unsuitable











Coastal? Vallisneria nana





Banksia



Pandanus

Scientific Name	Common Name	Provenance	Height	Spread	Frost	Soil Type	Aspect	Features	FI/Fr Colour	Urban Gardens
Acacia chrysotricha	Newry Golden Wattle	N,L,R	8-16m	3-6m	S	1	SH,PS	O,B	FI: Golden Yellow	✓
Acacia irrorata	Green wattle	N,L,R	6m	2-4m	R	1.2	S	S,O,B,BA	FI: Pale yellow	✓
Acacia maidenii	Maidens wattle	N,L,R	8m	2-5m	R	1,2	S	S,O,B,BA	FI: Pale yellow	✓
Acacia melanoxylon	Blackwood/Sally Wattle	N,L,R	10-20m	6-8m	R	1,2,5	S,PS	S,O,BA	FI: Cream	×
Acacia obtusifolia	Blunt-leaf Wattle	N,L	3-4m	3-4m	R	1,5	S	S,O,B	FI: Creamy Pale Yellow	✓
Ackama paniculata (prev. Caldcluvia paniculosa)	Soft Corkwood	N,L,R	10-15m	4-6m	Т	1,2	PS	S,O	FI: Cream	✓
Acmena ingens	Red Apple	N,L,R	10-15m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,BA	FI: Cream Fr: Red	✓
Acmena smithii	Lilly Pilly	N,L	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B,BA,H,W	FI: White Fr: Pink/Purple	✓
Acronychia littoralis	Scented Acronychia	N,L,R	4-6m	1-3m	S	5	PS	O,B	FI: Cream	✓
Allocasuarina torulosa	Forest Oak	N,L	10-15m	4-6m	R	1,2	S	S,B,W	FI: Insig	✓
Alloxylon flammeum	QLD Tree Waratah	N,R	5-10m	2-4m	S	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B	FI: Orange/Red spectacular	✓
Alloxylon pinnatum (prev. Oreocallis pinnata)	Dorrigo Waratah	N,L,R,Rare	15-20m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	O	FI: Orange/Red spectacular	✓
Anetholea anisata	Ringwood/Aniseed Tree	N,R,Rare	10-15m	6-8m	Т	1,2	S	S,O,H,W	FI: White	✓
Angophora costata	Smooth barked apple	N,L	15-25m			1	PS,S	В	FI: White	×
Anopterus macleayanus	Macleay Laurel	N,L,R	3-5m	0-2m	Т	1,2	PS,SH	0	FI: White	✓
Alphitonia excelsa	Red Ash	N,L	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,BA	FI: White	✓
Aphananthe phillippinensis	Rough-leaved Elm	N,L,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	O,B,H,W	Fr: Green/Yellow/Red	✓
Araucaria cunninghamii	Hoop Pine	N,L,R	20-30m	6-10m	R	1,2	S	S	NA	×
Archidendron grandiflorum	Pink Laceflower	N,L,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS,SH	S,O,BA	FI: White/Pink Fr: Orange	✓
Archontophoenix cunninghamiana	Bangalow Palm	N,L,R	15-20m	2-4m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS,SH	O,BA	Fr: Red	✓
Argyrodendron actinophyllum (prev. Heritiera actinophyllum)	Black Booyong	N,L,R	15-20m	6-10m	Т	1,2	S	S,W	FI: Cream	×
Argyrodendron trifoliolatum (prev. Heritiera trifoliolatum)	White Booyong	N,L,R	15-20m	6-10m	Т	1,2	S	S	FI: Cream	×
Arytera divaricata	Coogera	N,L,R	5-10m	5-10m	Т	1,2	S	S,O	FI: White	✓
Backhousia citriodora	Lemon Myrtle	N,R	3-10m	4-6m	S	1	S	O,H,W	FI: White	✓
Backhousia myrtifolia	Grey Myrtle	N,L,R	3-7m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,SH	O,H	FI: White	✓
Barklya syringifolia	Crown of Gold Tree	N,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	O,B,BA	FI: Gold/Yellow	✓

Scientific Name	Common Name	Provenance	Height	Spread	Frost	Soil Type	Aspect	Features	FI/Fr Colour	Urban Gardens
Bosistoa floydii	Five-leaved Bosistoa	N,L,R,Rare	10-15m	2-5m	S	1,2	PS	O,B	FI: White	✓
Brachychiton acerifolius	Flame Tree	N,L,R	10-20m	6-10m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,D,BA	FI: Red	×
Brachychiton discolor	Lacebark Tree	N,L,R	10-20m	6-10m	Т	1,2	S	S,O,D,BA	FI: Pink	×
Buckinghamia celsissima	Ivory Curl-flower	N,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B	FI: Cream/White Fragrant	✓
Callicoma serratifolia	Callicoma/Black Wattle	N,L,R	10-20m	2-4m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,BA	FI: Cream	×
Cassia marksiana (prev. Cassia brewsteri var. marksiana)	Brush Cassia	N,R,Rare	5-15m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	O,BA	FI: Yellow (Showy)	<b>√</b>
Casuarina cunninghamiana	River Oak	N,L	10-35m	6-10m	R	1,2,3,4	S	S,B,W,GBC	FI: Insig	×
Casuarina glauca	Swamp Oak	N,L,R	5-20m	2-10m	R	1,2,3,4,5	S	S,B,W,GBC	FI: Insig	×
Ceratopetalum apetalum	Coachwood	N,L,R	10-15m	6-10m	Т	1,2	S	S,O,W	FI: Cream Fr: Red	✓
Cinnamomum oliveri	Oliver's Sassafras	N,L,R	15-20m	6-10m	S	1,2	PS	S,O,B,BA	Fr: Black	×
Commersonia bartramia	Brown Kurrajong	N,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O	FI: White	✓
Corymbia gummifera (prev. Eucalyptus gummifera)	Red Bloodwood	N,L	20-30m	10-15m	Т	1,2,3	S	S,B,K	FI: Cream/White	×
Corymbia intermedia (prev. Eucalyptus intermedia)	Pink Bloodwood	N,L	20-30m	10-15m	Т	1,2,3	S	S,B,K	FI: Cream/White	×
Corymbia maculata	Spotted gum	N,L	35-45m	10-15m	Т		S		FI: White	×
Cryptocarya glaucescens	Jackwood	N,L,R	10-15m	6-10m	Т	1,2	S	S,O,B,W	Fr: Black	✓
Cryptocarya laevigata	Glossy Laurel	N,R	5-10m	2-4m	Т	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Cream Fr: Red/Orange	✓
Cryptocarya obovata	Pepperberry Tree	N,L,R	20-40m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B	Fr: Black	×
Cupaniopsis anacardioides	Tuckeroo	N,L,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2,5	S	S,O,B,BA,W	Fr: Orange	✓
Cupaniopsis baileyana (prev. C. foveolata)	Narrow-leaved Tuckeroo	N,L,R	5-10m	2-4m	Т	1,2,5	S,PS	O,B,BA	FI: Cream/White Fr: Red	✓
Cupaniopsis newmanii	Long-leaved Tuckeroo	N,R	5-10m	2-4m	Т	1	S,PS	O,B,BA	Fr: Rose Pink	✓
Cuttsia viburnea	Cuttsia	N,L,R	5-10m	4-6m	S	1,2	PS,SH	S,O,B,BA	FI: Snowy white sp/sum	✓
Davidsonia jerseyana (prev. Davidsonia pruriens var. jerseyaya)	Davidsons Plum	N,L,R,Rare	5-10m	0-2m	S	1,2	PS,SH	Ο	FI: Pink Fr: Purple/Black	✓
Diploglottis australis	Native Tamarind	N,L,R	10-25m	4-6m	S	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B,BA	Fr: Orange	×
Diploglottis campbellii	Small-leaved Tamarind	N,L,R,Rare	10-20m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B,BA	Fr: Red	✓
Dysoxylum fraserianum	Rosewood	N,L,R	10-30m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B	FI: Cream Fr: Red	×

Scientific Name	Common Name	Provenance	Height	Spread	Frost	Soil Type	Aspect	Features	FI/Fr Colour	Urban Gardens
Ehretia acuminata	Koda	N,L,R	10-30m	5-10m	Т	1,2	PS, SH	В	Fr: Small yellow-orange drupe	×
Elaeocarpus grandis	Blue Quandong	N,L,R	20-40m	15-20m	S	1,2	S,PS	S,B,BA	FI: White Fr: Blue	×
Elaeocarpus obovatus	Hard quandong	N,L,R	15-40m	5-15m	Т	4,2	PS, SH	S,O,B	Fr: Masses of small blue fruits	✓
Elaeocarpus reticulatus	Blueberry Ash	N,L,R	5-10m	2-4m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B,BA,H	FI: White/Pink Fr: Blue	✓
Endiandra pubens	Hairy Walnut	N,L,R	5-10m	2-4m	Т	1,2	PS	S,O,H	Fr: Red	✓
Endiandra sieberi	Hard Corkwood	N,L,R	10-20m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S	S,O,B,BA	FI: White	×
Eucalyptus acmenoides	White Mahogany	N,L	15-30m	8-10m	Т	1,2	S	S,O,B	FI: Cream	×
Eucalyptus amplifolia	Cabbage Gum	N,L	20-30m	10-15m	Т	1,2	S	S,O,B,BA,K	FI: Cream/White	×
Eucalyptus bancroftii	Orange Gum	N,L	20-30m	10-15m	Т	2,4	S	S,K	FI: Cream/white	×
Eucalyptus fusiformis	Nambucca Ironbark	N,L,R	20-30m	8-10m	Т	1,2	S	S,O,B	FI: Cream	×
Eucalyptus grandis	Flooded Gum	N,L	20-30m	10-15m	Т	1,2,3,4	S	S,K,B	FI: White	×
Eucalyptus microcorys	Tallowwood	N,L	20-30m	10-15m	Т	1,2	S	S,B,K,W,YBG	FI: Cream/White	×
Eucalyptus peniculata	Grey Ironbark	N,L	15-30m	8-10m	Т	1,2	S	S,O,B	FI: Cream	×
Eucalyptus pilularis	Blackbutt	N,L	20-30m	10-15m	Т	1,2	S	S,B,K	FI: White	×
Eucalyptus propinqua	Small-fruited Grey Gum	N,L	20-40m	10-20m	Т	2,3,4,5	S	S,B,K,YBG	FI: White	×
Eucalyptus resinifera	Red Mahogany	N,L	20-45m	10-20m	Т	1,2	S	S,B,K,YBG	FI: Cream	×
Eucalyptus robusta	Swamp Mahogany	N,L	15-25m	10-15m	R	1,2,4	S	S,K	FI: Cream	×
Eucalyptus salignus	Sydney Blue Gum	N,L	20-50m	10-20m	R	1,2,3,4	S	S,O,B,K	FI: White	×
Eucalyptus siderophloia	Northern Grey Ironbark	N,L	20-45m	8-10m	Т	1,2,3	S	S,O,B	FI: Creamy white	×
Eucalyptus signata	Scribbly Gum	N,L	15-25m	8-10	Т	1,2,4,5	S	S,O,B	FI: Creamy White	×
Eucalyptus tereticornis	Forest Red Gum	N,L	20-50m	10-20m	R	1,2,3	S	S,B,K,W,YBG	FI: Cream/White	×
Ficus coronata	Creek Sandpaper Fig	N,L	8-10m	6-10m	Т	1,2,4,5	S,PS	S,O,B	Fr: Purple	✓
Ficus fraseri	Sandpaper Fig	N,L,R	10-15m	4-6m	Т	1,2,3,4,5	S,PS	S,O,B	Fr: Orange/Red	×
Ficus macrophylla	Moreton Bay Fig	N,L,R	20- 40m	15-20m	Т	1,2,3,4	S,PS	S,B,W	Fr: Orange/Purple	×
Ficus rubiginosa	Rusty Fig	N,L,R	15-30m	10-20m	Т	1,2,3,4	S,PS	S,B,W	Fr: Yellow/Red	×
Ficus superba var. henneana	Deciduous Fig	N,L,R	20-30m	15-20m	Т	1,2,3,4	S,PS	S,D,B,W	Fr: Yellowish/Purple	×
Ficus virens	White Fig	N,L,R	15-25m	15-20m	Т	1,2,3,4	S,PS	S,B,W	Fr: Pinkish/Brown/White	×
Flindersia australis	Australian Teak	N,L,R	15-40m	10-15m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS	S,BA,W	FI: White/Cream	×
Flindersia schottiana	Bumpy Ash/Cudgerie	N,L,R	20-50m	15-20m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS	S,O,BA	FI: White	×

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Geissois benthamiana	Red Carabeen	N,L,R	15-20m	6-10m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B	FI: White	×
Glochidion ferdinandi	Cheese Tree	N,L,R	5-12m	4-6m	Т	2,4	S,PS	В,Н	Fr: Green to Pink	✓
Gmelina leichhardtii	White Beech	N,L,R	15-30m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S	S,O,B,W	FI: Purple/White Fr: Blue	×
Gossia bidwillii	Python Tree	N,L,R	10-25m	4-6m	Т	1	S	S,B,W	FI: White	×
Gossia fragrantissima	Sweet Myrtle	N,L,R,Rare	5-10m	2-4m	Т	1,2	PS	В	Fr: Red	✓
Grevillea robusta	Silky Oak	N,L,R	15-30m	4-6m	S	1,2,3	S,PS	O,B	FI: Orange	×
Guioa semiglauca	Guioa	N,L,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B	FI: Green to Yellow	✓
Harpullia hillii	Blunt-leaved Tulip	N,L,R	8-10m	5-8m	S	1,2	S,PS	S,BA	FI: Yellow Fr: Yellow	✓
Harpullia pendula	Tulipwood	N,L,R	10-12m	6-10m	S	1,2	S,PS	S,BA	FI: Green/Yellow Fr: Yellow/Orange	✓
Hicksbeachia pinnatifolia	Red Bopple Nut	N,L,R,Rare	5-10m	1-2m	Т	1,2	S,PS	O,B,BA	Fr: Red	✓
Homalanthus populifolius (prev. Omalanthus populifolius)	Bleeding Heart	N,L,R	3-5m	2-4m	S	1,2	S,PS	O,B	FI: Green Fr: Purple	✓
Hymenosporum flavum	Native Frangipani	N,L,R	5-10m	2-4m	Т	1,2	S	O,B,BA	FI: Cream/Yellow Perfumed	✓
Jagera pseudorhus	Foambark Tree	N,L,R	5-15m	2-4m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S	Fr: Yellow/Brown	✓
Lepiderema pulchella	Fine-leaved Tuckeroo	N,R,Rare	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	O,B	FI: Yellow/Orange Fr: Red/Brown	✓
Lepidozamia peroffskyana	Burrawang Palm	N,L	3-5m	1-2m	Т	1,2	PS,SH	0	Fr: Red	✓
Leptospermum laevigatum	Coast Tea Tree	N,L,R	2-5m	1-3m	S	5	S	S,O,B	FI: White	✓
Leptospermum petersonii	Lemon Scented Tea Tree	N,L	4-6m	2-3m	R	1,2,5	S	S,O,B	FI: Creamy White	✓
Livistonia australis	Cabbage-Tree Palm	N,L,R	20-30m	2-4m	Т	1,2,4	S,PS	BA	FI: Cream/White Fr: Black	×
Lophostemon confertus	Brushbox	N,L,R	20-40m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,B,BA	FI: White	×
Lophostemon suaveolens	Swamp Brushbox	N,L,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2,3,4	S	S	FI: White	×
Mallotus discolor	Yellow Kamala	N,L,R	10-15m	4-6m	S	1,2	S	S,O,B	FI: Grey Fr: Yellow	✓
Mallotus philippensis	Red Kamala	N,L,R	5-20m	4-6m	S	1,2	S	O,H,W	FI: Brownish Fr: Red	✓
Melaleuca quinquenervia	Common Paperbark	N,L	10-15m	4-6m	Т	1,2,3,4	S	S,OB	FI: Cream	✓
Melia azedarach	White Cedar	N,L,R	10-25m	4-6m	R	1,2	S	S,B,BA,O,D	FI: Purple/White Perfumed Fr: Yellow	✓
Mischocarpus pyriformis	Yellow Pear-fruit	N,L,R	5-15m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S	S,O	FI: Showy Perfumed Fr: Yellow/Red	✓

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Neolitsea dealbata	White Bolly Gum	N,L,R	5-12m	2-4m	Т	1,2	PS,SH	S,B,BA	FI: Yellow Fr: Purple/Black	✓
Niemeyera whitei	Rusty Plum	N,L,R	5-6m	2-4m	S	1,2	PS	S,O,B	FI: Insig	✓
Oreocallis wickhamii	Tree Waratah	N,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Orange/Red (spectacular)	✓
Pararchidendron pruinosum	Snow Wood	N,L,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B	FI: Yellow Fr: Orange	✓
Pittosporum revolutum	Yellow Pittosporum	N,L,R	3-5m	2-3m	S	1,2,3	S,PS	S,O,B	FI: Yellow Fr: Yellow/Orange	✓
Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum	N,L,R	5-15m	4-6m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS	S,O,B,H,W	FI: White Perfumed Fr: Yellow	✓
Planchonella australis	Black Apple	N,L,R	15-30m	4-6m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS	O,B,W	Fr: Black	×
Podocarpus elatus	Plum Pine	N,L,R	15-20m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B,BA	Fr: Blue/Black	×
Polyscias elegans	Celery Wood	N,L,R	20-30m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B,BA	FI: Purple Fr: Black	×
Polyscias murrayi	Pencil Cedar	N,L,R	10-20m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	O,B	FI: Green Fr: Black	×
Rhodosphaera rhodanthema	Deep Yellow Wood	N,L,R	10-20m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O	FI: Red/Pink Fr: Brown	×
Scolopia braunii	Flintwood	N,L,R	5-10m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	O,B,H	FI: Cream/White Fr: Yellow/Red/Black	✓
Sloanea australis	Maidens Blush	N,L,R	10-15m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B	FI: White Fr: Yellow/Brown	✓
Sloanea woollsii	Yellow Carabeen	N,L,R	15-50m	5-15m	Т	1,2	SH	S,B	FI: White	×
Stenocarpus sinuatus	Fire Wheel Tree	N,L,R	10-35m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S	O,B	FI: Orange /Red	×
Streblus brunonianus	Whalebone	N,L,R	5-15m	2-4m	Т	1,3	S	S,O	Fr: Yellow/Red	✓
Syncarpia glomulifera	Turpentine	N,L	20-30m	4-6m	Т	1,2,3,4	S	S,B,W	FI: White	×
Syzygium australe	Brush Cherry	N,L,R	5-10m	2-4m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS	O,B,H,W	FI: White Fr: Red	✓
Syzygium crebrinerve	Purple Cherry	N,L,R	10-15m	4-6m	Т	1,2,3	S	S,O,B,W	Fr: Purple	✓
Syzygium francisii	Giant Water Gum	N,L,R	10-20m	4-6m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS	S,O,B,W	FI: White Fr: Mauve/Purple	×
Syzygium luehmannii	Riberry	N,L,R	10-15m	2-4m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS	S,O,B,H,W	FI: White Fr: Pink	✓
Syzygium moorei	Durobby	N,R,Rare	10-15m	4-6m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS	S,O,B	FI: Pink Fr: Cream/White	✓
Syzygium oleosum	Blue Lilly Pilly	N,L,R	5-10m	2-4m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,B,W	FI: White Fr: Mauve	✓
Toona ciliata (prev. Toona australis)	Red Cedar	N,L,R	15-20m	4-6m	Т	1,2	S,PS	S,O,D	FI: White	×
Tristaniopsis laurina	Water Gum	N,L,R	10-20m	4-6m	Т	1,2,3,4	S,PS	S,O	FI: Yellow	✓
Waterhousea floribunda	Weeping Lilly Pilly	N,L,R	5-10m	2-4m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS	S,O,B,W	FI: White Fr: Green	✓
Xanthostemon chrysanthus	Golden Penda	N,R	5-15m	2-4m	S	1,2	S,PS	O,BA	FI: Yellow (Spectacular)	✓

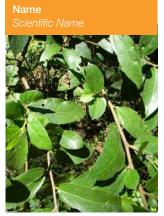
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Acacia decora	Western Golden Wattle	N,L,R	1-4m	1-3m	R	1,2	S	S,O,B	FI: Golden Yellow
Acacia fimbriata	Fringed Wattle	N,L	3 m	3m	R	1,2,5	S	O,B,BA	FI: Yellow
Acacia podglyriifolia	Qld Silver Wattle	Ν	3-5m	2-4m	R	1,2,5	S	O,B,BA	FI: Yellow fragrant
Acacia spectabilis	Mudgee Wattle	N	3-5 m	3 m	R	1,2,5	S	O,B,BA	FI: Golden Yellow fragrant
Acacia suaveolens	Sweet Wattle	N,L	0.3-2.5m	1-2m	R	5	S	S,O,B	FI: Fragrant Pale Yellow
Alchornea ilicifolia	Native Holly	N,L,R	3-5m	0.5-2m	Т	1,2,5	S,PS,SH	0	FI: Cream/Green
Alocasia brisbanensis (prev. A. macrorrhizos)	Cunjevoi Lily	N,L,R	1-3m	0.5-2m	Т	1,2,4	SH,PS	Ο	FI: Green, fragrant Fr: Red All parts poisonous
Alpinia caerulea	Native Ginger	N,L,R	1-3m	0.5-2m	S	1,2,4	SH,PS	BA,O	FI: White, fragrant Fr: Blue
Alyxia ruscifolia	Prickly Alyxia	N,L,R	1-3m	0.5-2m	Т	1,2,3	S	O,B,H	FI: White Perfumed Fr: Bright Orange or Red
Archirhodomyrtus beckleri	Rose Myrtle	N,L,R	3-5m	0.5-2m	R	1,2	S,PS	O,H	FI: White/Pinkish Fr: Yellow/Red
Atractocarpus benthamianus (prev. Randia benthamiana)	Native Gardenia	N,L,R	3-8m	1-2m	S	1,2	SH	Ο	FI: White fragrant Fr: Yellowish
Atractocarpus chartaceus (prev. Randia chartacea)	Narrow-leaved Gardenia	N,R	1-3m	0.5-2m	S	1,2	SH	0	FI: White fragrant
Baeckea virgata	Twiggy Myrtle	N,L	3-5m	0.5-2m	R	1,2,3	S,PS	0	FI: White
Banksia ericifolia	Heath-leaved Honeysuckle	N,L	3-6m	1-2m	R	1,2,5	S	O,B,BA,H	FI: Orange/Bronze
Banksia oblongifolia	Fern-leaved Banksia	N,L	1-3m	1-2m	R	1,2,5	S	O,B	FI: Pale Yellow
Banksia robur	Swamp Banksia	Ν	1-3m	1-2m	R	1,2,4	S	O,B	FI: Greenish Yellow
Banksia spinulosa	Hairpin Banksia	N,L	1-4m	1-2m	R	1,2,5	S	O,B,W	FI: Gold
Callistemon citrinus	Crimson Bottlebrush	N,L	1-3m	1-2m	R	1,2,3,4	S	O,B,BA	FI: Red/White
Callistemon salignus	Willow Bottlebrush	N,L	3-10m	2-4m	R	1,2,4	S	O,B,BA,W	FI: Cream/Pink
Callistemon viminalis	Weeping Bottlebrush	Ν	3-8m	2-4m	R	2,3,4	S	O,B,BA,W	FI: Red
Citrus australasica (prev. Microcitrus australasica)	Finger Lime	N,L,R	1-3m	0-2m	Т	1,2	S,PS	ВА,Н	FI: White Perfumed Fr: Black/Yellow/Pink
Commersonia fraseri	Brush Kurrajong	N,L,R	2-5m	2-4m	Т	1,2	SH, PS	В	FI: Clusters small white flower
Cordyline petiolaris	Broad-leaved Palm Lilly	N,L,R	3-5m	0.5-2m	S	1,2,4	PS,SH	0	FI: White/Mauve Fr: Red
Cordyline stricta	Narrow-leaved Palm Lilly	N,L,R	3-5m	0.5-2m	S	1,2	PS,SH	0	FI: Purple/Violet Fr: Purple/Black
Crinum pedunculatum	River Lilly	N,L	0-1m	0-2m	Т	1,2,3	S,PS,SH	0	FI: White Fragrant
Cyathea australis	Rough tree fern	N,L,R	3-10m	2-4m	S	1,2	PS, SH	0	NA
Cyathea cooperi	Straw Tree Fern	N,L,R	3-10m	0.5-2m	S	1,2	PS,SH	0	NA
Cyathea leichardtiana	Prickly tree fern	N,L,R	7m	2-4m	S	1,2	PS, SH	0	NA
Doryanthes excelsa	Gymea Lilly, Giant Lilly	N	1-3m	0.5-2m	R	1,2	S	O,B	FI: Red
Cordyline stricta  Crinum pedunculatum  Cyathea australis  Cyathea cooperi  Cyathea leichardtiana  Doryanthes excelsa	Narrow-leaved Palm Lilly  River Lilly  Rough tree fern  Straw Tree Fern  Prickly tree fern	N,L,R N,L,R N,L,R N,L,R	3-5m 0-1m 3-10m 3-10m 7m	0.5-2m 0-2m 2-4m 0.5-2m 2-4m	S T S S	1,2 1,2,3 1,2 1,2 1,2	PS,SH S,PS,SH PS,SH PS,SH PS,SH	0 0 0 0	FI: Purple/Violet Fr: Purple/Black FI: White Fragrant NA NA



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Eriostemon myoporoides	Long-leaf Waxflower	N,L	1-3m	0.5-2m	R	1,2,5	S	O,B	FI: White
Grevillea banksii	Bank's Grevillea	N	3-5m	0.5-2m	Т	1,2	S	O,B	FI: Red or White
Grevillea linearifolia	Grevillea	N,L	1-3m	0.5-2m	R	1	S	O,B	FI: Pink or White
Grevillea longifolia	Grevillea	N	3-5m	2-4m	R	1,2	S	O,B,H	FI: Pink /Red
Leptospermum brachyandrum	Thin-fruited Tea Tree	N,L	3-5m	2-4m	Т	1,2,5	S	O,B	FI: White
Leptospermum laevigatum	Coast Tea Tree	N,L	3-5m	2-4m	S	1,2,5	S	O,B	FI: White
Leptospermum petersonii	Lemon Scented Tea Tree	N,L	3-5m	2-4m	R	1,2	S	0	FI: White
Linospadix monostachya	Walking Stick Palm	N,L,R	1-3m	0.5-2m	S	1,2	SH	O,B	Fr: Red
Lomatia silaifolia	Parsley Bush	N,L	1-3m	0-2m	Т	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: White
Melaleuca thymifolia	Thyme Honey Myrtle	N,L	1-3m	0-2m	R	1,2,3,4	S	0	FI: Purple
Pilidiostigma glabrum	Plum Myrtle	N,L,R	1-5m	0.5-2m	Т	1,2	S	O,B,H	FI: Cream Fr: Purple/Black
Rhodamnia maideniana	Smooth Scrub Turpentine	N,R,	1-5m	0.5-2m	S	1,2	PS,SH	O,H	FI: Pink
Syzygium wilsonii	Powder Puff Lilly Pilly	Ν	1-3m	2-3m	S	1,2	PS	O,B	FI: Maroon Fr: White
Tabernaemontana pandacaqui	Banana Bush	N,L,R	1-3m	0.5-2m	S	1,2	PS	O,H	FI: White Fragrant Fr: Yellow
Xanthorrhoea johnsonii	Grass Tree	N,L,R	1-5m	1-2m	Т	1	S	Ο,	FI: Cream













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Adiantum hispidulum	Rough Maiden Hair	N,L,R	0-1m	0-2m	S	1,2,4	PS,SH	0	NA
Adiantum diaphanum	Filmy Maidenhair	N,L	0-1m	0-2m	S	1,2,4	PS,SH	0	NA
Aneilema biflorum	Aneilema	N,L	0-20cm	0-2m	S	1,2,4	PS,SH	0	FI: White
Asplenium australasicum	Birds Nest Fern	N,L,R	0-1m	0-2m	S	1,2	SH	0	NA
Austromyrtus dulcis	Midyim	N,L	0-1m	0-2m	Т	1,2,5	PS,SH	0	FI: White Fr: White
Banksia integrifolia prostrate	Prostrate Coast Banksia	N	0-1m	0-2m	R	1,2	S	O,B	FI: Pale Yellow
Blandfordia grandiflora	Christmas Bells	N,L	0-80cm	0-2m	R	1,2,4,5	S,PS	0	FI: Red/Orange
Blechnum cartilagineum	Gristle Fern	N,L,R	0-60cm	0-2m	S	1,2,3	PS,SH	0	NA
Blechnum indicum	Swamp Water Fern	N,L	0-60cm	0-2m	S	1,2,3,4,5	PS	0	NA
Brachycome angustifolia	Break Of Day	N,L	0-60cm	0-2m	S	1,2	PS	0	FI: Pink/Mauve/Blue
Brachycome multifida	Cut-leaved Daisy	N,L	0-60cm	0-2m	R	1,2	PS	0	FI: Pink/Mauve/White
Centella asiatica	Pennywort	N,L	0-50cm	0-2m	Т	1,2,3,4	S	0	FI: Pink /Crimson
Commelina cyanea	Blue Commelina	N,L	0-60cm	0-2m	S	1,2	PS,SH	0	FI: Blue
Dianella caerulea	Blue Flax Lilly	N,L	0-60cm	0-2m	Т	1,2	PS,SH	0	FI: Mauve/Dark Blue Fr: Pale Blue/Purple
Doodia aspera	Prickly Rasp Fern	N,L	0-40cm	0-2m	S	1,2	SH	0	NA
Drymophila moorei	Orange Berry	N,R	0-60cm	0-2m	S	1,2	SH	0	FI: White/Mauve/Pink Fr: Yellow
Elatostema reticulatum	Rainforest Spinach	N,L,R	0-30cm	0-2m	S	1,2,3,4	SH	0	FI: Greenish/White
Hibbertia dentata	Trailing Guinea Flower	N,L	0-20m	0-2m	R	1,2	PS	O,B	FI: Yellow
Kennedia prostrata	Scarlet Coral Pea	N	0-60cm	0-2m	R	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Scarlet
Kennedia rubicunda	Red Kennedy Pea	N,L	0-60cm	0-2m	R	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Red/Purple
Lomandra hystrix	Mat Rush	N,L	0-1m	0-2m	R	1,2,3,4	S,PS	O,BA	FI: Cream Perfumed
Lomandra longifolia	Long Leaf Mat Rush	N,L	0-1m	0-2m	R	1,2,3,4	S,PS	O,BA	FI: Cream
Oplismenus imbecillis, O. aemulus	Basket Grass	N,L	0-30cm	0-2m	S	1,2,3	PS	0	FI: Insignificant
Pollia crispata	Pollia	N,L,R	0-30cm	0-2m	S	3,4	PS	0	FI: White Fr: Blue
Pseuderanthemum variabile	Pastel Flower	N,L,R	0-90cm	0-2m	S	1,2,3,4	PS,SH	0	FI: White/Pink/Blue/Mauve
Themeda australis	Kangaroo Grass	N,L	0-1.2m	0-2m	R	1,2,3	S,PS	0	FI: Cream
Tripladenia cunninghamii	Kreysigia	N,L,R	0-40cm	0-2m	S	2,3	PS	0	FI: Mauve/Pink
Viola hederacea	Native Violet	N,L	0-15cm	0-1m	S	1,2,3,4	PS,SH	0	FI: Violet

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Callerya megasperma (prev. Millettia megasperma)	Native Wisteria	N,R	15-20m	NA	Т	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Purple
Callerya australis (prev. Millettia australis)	Native Wisteria	N,L,R	15-20m	NA	Т	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Purple
Cissus antarctica	Water Vine	N,L,R	15-20m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS,SH	O,B	FI: Yellowish Fr: Purplish
Clematis aristata	Toothed Clematis	N,L,R	3-6m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: White
Clematis glycinoides	Forest Clematis	N,L,R	1-2m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: White/Purple
Diplocyclos palmatus	Striped Cucumber	N,L,R	3-5m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	0	Fr: Red with White stripes
Eustephus latifolius	Wombat Berry	N,L,R	4-6m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Mauve Fr: Orange
Geitonoplesium cymosum	Scrambling Lily	N,L,R	3-8m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: White/Mauve Fr: Black
Hardenbergia violacea	Native Sarsaparilla	N,L	10-15m	NA	Т	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Purple
Hibbertia scandens	Climbing Guinea Flower	N,L,R	10-15m	NA	Т	1,2,3,4	S,PS,SH	0	FI: Yellow
Hoya australis	Wax Flower	N,R	4-8m	NA	Т	1,2	PS,SH	O,BA	FI: White
Kennedia rubicunda	Dusky Coral Pea	N,L,R	3-5m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Red
Marsdenia flavescens	Hairy Milky Vine	N,L,R	3-5m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Pale Yellow fragranced
Marsdenia lloydii (prev. M. suberosa)	Corky Marsdenia	N,L,R	3-5m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: White
Melodorum leichhardtii (prev. Rauwenhoffia leichhardtii)	Zig-zag Vine	N,L,R	15-20m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	O,BA	FI: Orange Perfumed Fr: Orange
Pandorea baileyana	Large-leaved Wonga Vine	N,R	15-20m	NA	Т	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Cream/Pink fragrant
Pandorea floribunda	Yellow-flowered Wonga Vine	N,L,R	15-20m	NA	Т	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Pale Yellow
Pandorea jasminoides	Bower of Beauty	N,L,R	15-20m	NA	Т	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: White / Pink fregrant
Pandorea pandorana	Wonga Vine	N,L,R	15-20m	NA	Т	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: White/Yellow/Mauve fragrant
Pararistolochia praevenosa (prev. Aristolochia praevenosa)	Richmond Bird Wing Butterfly Vine	N,R	5-10m	NA	S	1,2	PS,SH	BA	FI: Yellow
Parsonsia straminea	Common Silkpod	N,L,R	3-5m	NA	S	1,2,5	S,PS	0	FI: Cream/Brown/Yellow
Passiflora aurantia var. aurantia	Red Passion Flower	N,R	5-10m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Red/Orange/Pink
Sarcopetalum harveyanum	Pearl Vine	N,L,R	5-10m	NA	S	1,2	S,PS	0	FI: Red/Yellow
Smilax australis	Smilax	N,L,R	8m	NA					FI: Pale Yellow Fr: Black

In recent years, with the introduction of so much DNA work, there have been numerous changes to plant names, especially as to what genus they belong in. However, many botanists still do not agree with some of the grouping of species into mega-genera, such as Syzygium and Melaleuca. This 2nd edition book has reverted to using Acmena, Anetholea, Callistemon and Waterhousea in line with Sydney Herbarium and on the advice of Gwen Harden.



# Weeds in the Nambucca

# Environmental weeds – recommended replacement native species

Many flora species introduced as ornamental plants have become environmental or noxious weeds. When a plant is not native to an area and is very successful and resilient, it can become an invasive species and therefore a weed.

Typical characteristics that make a plant a weed are:

- a lack of natural predators
- prolific fruiting
- copious seeding
- spreading by vegetative mechanisms (eg. stolons, rhizomes, suckering)
- cross-pollination by a non-specialised flower visitor or by wind
- tolerance of a wide range of soil and climatic conditions.

Plants that display any of the above mentioned characteristics can easily invade and jeopardise the long-term viability of many native plant communities. In summary, an environmental weed is a plant growing in the wrong place at the expense of the surrounding vegetation.

Environmental weeds hinder the natural regeneration process in various ways. In the case of remnant vegetation, they quickly colonise the important edge and any vegetation gap within the remnant. Edges and gaps are important sites where natural regeneration occurs and where the next generation of plants can take place.

Trees such as Camphor Laurel (Cinnamomum camphora) and Large-leaved Privet (Ligustrum lucidum) will quickly colonise gaps and edges

and grow very fast, out-competing native trees. Therefore these long-lived plants take over natural ecosystems and cause modification and loss of habitat.

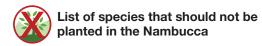
Exotic vines and creepers including Madeira Vine (Anredera codifolia), Cat's Claw Creeper (Macfadyena unguis-cati) and Balloon Vine (Cardiospermum grandiflorum) will also colonise gaps and edges quickly. Their vigorous growth smothers shrubs and trees. Shading out of the desired native vegetation decreases its vigour, impedes regeneration and causes branches to break, and eventually the canopy to collapse. The increased light further favours the destructive spread of these vines deeper into the remnant.

Introduced ground covers and herbs such as Morning Glory (Ipomoea alba, cairica, indica & purpurea), Asparagus Ferns (Asparagus aethiopicus, africanus, asparagoides & plumosus) and Wandering Jew (Tradescantia fluminensis albiflora) form dense mats on the ground. They spread rapidly and will smother regenerating seedlings. Most importantly however, they will impede any regeneration thus jeopardising the long-term future of the remnant vegetation.

## Stopping environmental weeds

In order to prevent any further weed invasion and consequent degradation of our native plant communities it is essential to stop the spread of environmental weeds. The following list of plant species are recognised as environmental weeds. The first section is plants that should not be planted within the Nambucca Valley. The second section is species with the potential to become environmental weeds. These plants are not recommended to be planted within the Nambucca Valley. A number of alternative suitable species are suggested for the majority of weeds listed.

Environmental Weeds Trees	Replacement Native Species
Umbrella Tree (Schefflera actinophylla)	Celerywood (Polyscias elegans) Pencil Cedar (Polyscias murrayi) Crow's Ash (Pentaceras australis)
Cocos Palm (Syagrus romanzoffianum)	Burrawang Palm (Lepidozamia peroffskyana) Bangalow Palm (Archontophoenix cunninghamiana) Cabbage Palm (Livistona australis)
Large-leaved Privet (Ligustrum lucidum)	Hollywood (Auranticarpa rhombifolia) Blue Lilly Pilly (Syzygium oleosum) Coachwood (Ceratopetalum apetalum)
Small-leaved Privet (Ligustrum sinense)	Ringwood (Anetholea anisata) Grey Myrtle (Backhousia myrtifolia) Lemon Myrtle (Backhousia citriodora)
Camphor Laurel (Cinnamomum camphora)	Jackwood (Cryptocarya glaucescens) Glossy Laurel (Cryptocarya laevigata) Pepperberry (Cryptocarya obovata) White Bolly Gum (Neolitsea dealbata)
Cadaghi (Corymbia torelliana)	Brush Box (Lophostemon confertus) Pink Bloodwood (Corymbia intermedia) Tallowwood (Eucalyptus microcorys)
Coral Tree (Erythrina X sykesii)	Deep Yellow-wood (Rhodosphaera rhodanthema) Snow Wood (Parachidendrom pruinosum) Whalebone (Streblus brunonianus)
Cockscomb Coral Tree (Erythrina crista-galli)	Brush Coral Tree (Erythrina numerosa) Flintwood (Scolopia braunii) Rough-leaved Elm (Aphananthe phillippinensis)
Slash Pine (Pinus elliottii)	Hoop Pine (Araucaria cunninghamii) Plum Pine (Podocarpus elatus) Tulipwood (Harpullia pendula)
Honey Locust (Gleditsia triacanthos)	
Yellow Bells (Tecoma stans)	Weeping Lilly Pilly (Waterhousea floribunda) Foam Bark Tree (Jagera pseudorhus)



Environmental Weeds Shrubs	Replacement Native Species		
Creeping Bamboo (Arundinaria spp.)	Narrow-leaved Palm Lilly (Cordyline stricta) Red-fruited Palm Lilly (Cordyline rubra) Broad-leaved Palm Lilly (Cordyline petiolaris) Walking Stick Palm (Linospadix monostachyus) Tree Fern (Cyathea spp.)		
Lantana (Lantana montevidensis)	Native Peach (Trema tomentose var. aspera) Banana Bush (Tabernaemontana pandacaqui) Small-leaved Acalypha (Acalypha capillipes)		
Tobacco Bush (Solanum mauritianum)	Bleeding Heart (Homalanthus populifolius) Snowwood (Pararchidendron pruinosum)		
Cassia (Senna pendula var. glabrata & Senna X Floribunda)	Brown Kurrajong (Commersonia bartramia) (Effective at protecting sensitive native plants, grows to small tree)		
Willows (Salix spp. All species except Salix babylonica and 2 sterile species S. reichardtii and S. calodendron)	Lilly Pilly (Acmena smithii) Creek Sandpaper Fig (Ficus coronata) Weeping Lilly Pilly (Waterhousea floribunda) Cheese Tree (Glochidion ferdinandi)		

Environmental Weeds Groundcovers	Replacement Native Species
Mother of Millions (Bryophyllum delagoense)	Mat Rush (Lomandra hystrix) Royal Mantle (Grevillea poorinda) Break of Day (Brachycome angustifolia) Midgenberry (Austromyrtus dulcis)
Gloriosa superba)	Blue Flax Lilly (Dianella caerulea) Scrambling Lily (Geitonoplesium cymosum) River Lilly (Crinum pedunculatum)
Fishbone Fern (Nephrolepsis cordifolia)	Common Rasp Fern (Doodia aspera) Blechnum (Blechnum spp.)

Environmental Weeds Vines	Replacement Native Species
Madeira Vine (Anredera cordifolia)	Hoya (Hoya australis) Native Sarsaparilla (Hardenbergia violacea) Blood Vine (Austrosteenisia blackii)
Moth Vine (Araujia sericiflora)	Corky Marsdenia (Marsdenia suberosa) Hairy Milky Vine (Marsdenia flavescens) Hoya (Hoya australis)
Dutchman's Pipe (Aristolochia elegans)	Richmond Birdwing Butterfly Vine (Paristolochia praevenosa)
Balloon Vine (Cardiospermum grandiflorum)	Native Grape (Cayratia clematidea) Native Bryony (Diplocyclos palmatus) Star Cucumber (Sicyos australis) Forest Clematis (Clematis glycinoides)
Climbing Asparagus Fern (Asparagus plumosus)	Bower of Beauty (Pandorea jasminoides) Wonga Vine (Pandorea pandorana) Large-leaved Wonga Vine (Pandorea baileyana)
Blue Morning Glory (Ipomoea indica)	Pearl Vine (Sarcopetalum harveyanum) Snake Vine (Stephania japonica var. discolor) Roundleaf Vine (Legnephora moorei)
Cat's Claw Creeper (Macfadyena unguis-cati)	Bower of Beauty (Pandorea jasminoides) Wonga Vine (Pandorea pandorana) Large-leaved Wonga Vine (Pandorea baileyana)
Mysore Thorn (Caesalpinia decapetala)	Pink Laceflower (Archidendron grandiflorum) Grey Myrtle (Backhousia myrtifolia) Narrow-leaved Palm Lilly (Cordyline stricta)









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# List of Species not recommended to be planted in the Nambucca

Potential Environmental Weeds	Replacement Native Species
Brazilian Cherry (Eugenia uniflora)	Ringwood (Anetholea anisata)
Guava (Psidium guajava)	Grey Myrtle (Backhousia myrtifolia)
Cherry Guava (Psidium cattleianum)	Lemon Myrtle (Backhousia citriodora)
Coffee (Coffea arabica)	Riberry (Syzygium luehmannii)
Mulberry (Morus alba)	Brush Cherry (Syzygium australe)
Loquat (Eriobotrya japonica)	Deep Yellow-wood (Rhodosphaera rhodanthema)
Common Olive (Olea europaea subsp. Africana)	Snow Wood (Parachidendrom pruinosum) Foambark (Jagera pseudorhus)
African Tulip Tree (Spathodea campanulata)	Tulipwood (Harpullia pendula)  Blunt-leaved Tulip (Harpullia hillii)  Twin-leaved Coogera (Arytera distylis)
Montbretia (Crocosmia X crocosmiiflora)	Blue Flax Lilly (Dianella caerulea) Scrambling Lily (Geitonoplesium cymosum) River Lilly (Crinum pedunculatum)
Wild Watsonia (Watsonia meriana)	Blue Flax Lilly (Dianella caerulea) Scrambling Lily (Geitonoplesium cymosum) River Lilly (Crinum pedunculatum)
Busy Lizzie (Impatiens walleriana)	Pollia (Pollia crispata) Kreysigia (Tripladenia cunninghamii) Powderpuff Lilly Pilly (Syzygium wilsonii subsp. Wilsonii)
Kahili Ginger (Hedychium gardnerianum)	Native Ginger (Alpinia caerulea) River Lilly (Crinum pedunculatum) Spear Lilly (Doryanthes palmeri)









# Aquatic weeds in the Nambucca

The spread of aquatic weeds is closely linked with the disturbance of natural systems, including changed or restricted water flows, build up of nutrients, removal of riparian shade and from the introduction of exotic species in the absence of their natural pests. Aquatic weeds can block waterways and cover entire surfaces of wetlands and dams reducing water quality and dissolved oxygen content, and have the potential to put native aquatic life at risk.

It is important to identify possible aquatic weeds before attempting to control them as some aquatic weeds look like some native aquatic plant species. For example some smart weeds, knott weeds and duck weeds are not weeds but are native to this area.

Many species of water plants are highly mobile and efficiently transported by water birds. Methods of control vary for the different species and particular situations often using a combination of approved herbicides for aquatic situations (frog friendly) and mechanical/hand methods.

For assistance with identification please contact Nambucca Shire Council's Weed Officer, Wetland Care or Nambucca Valley Landcare.

Your best safe guard against aquatic weed infestation is to keep your river or wetland healthy by taking some of the following measures:

 Restore natural seasonal water flows to your wetland, maintaining a water regime that mimics natural conditions and reinstating tidal flows to estuarine wetlands.



Dam photo

- Protect the existing native vegetation in your riparian areas by fencing out stock.
- Revegetate riparian areas where necessary with local native species.
- Maintain an active weeding program within your native vegetation.
- Keep informed about the latest emerging aquatic weeds in the area.
- Refrain from dumping garden refuse and aquarium material near any waterways.
- Be aware of aquarium species, only purchasing from reputable sources.
- All efforts should be made to reduce high nutrient loads (such as grey water) from entering water bodies as they will provide ideal establishment and growth conditions for many aquatic weed species.



Name		Description	Found	Similar species	Control
Alligator weed Alterananthera phyloxeroides		A floating, attached water weed introduced from Sth America. Hollow stems, dark green leaves, no leaf stalk, white paper like flowers, similar to a clover flower.	Slow moving and stationary waters, occasionally on dryland subject to inundation, throughout NSW.	Water Primrose & Smart Weed, differentiated by leaves (opposite) and flowers papery to touch.	Noxious in NSW.  All cases must be reported.  Contact Nambucca Shire  Council's weeds officer.
Water hyacinth Eichhornia crassipes		A free floating plant with bright, shiny pale green leaves on swollen bladder like stems. Mauve flowers with a darker blue, purple & yellow centre in summer.	Deep and shallow water and in mud. Prefers fresh, static or slow flowing water with high organic content.  Coastal NSW.	Nil	Seek advice on control methods.  Crucial to physically remove plants before they flower and set seed.  Approved "frog friendly" herbicide (such as Weedmaster Duo by Nufarm) see APVMA website for more info.
Water lettuce Pistia stratiotes		Free floating plant that looks like a hairy lettuce. Perennial growing up to 15cm tall and 30cm wide. Noxious in the Nambucca Shire.	Stationary and slow moving water bodies especially where nutrient levels are high. Usually free floating, but will survive in mud.	Eichorina & Slavinia, but readily distinguished close up.	Mechanical or hand removal, approved herbicides.
Salvinia Salvinia molesta		A free floating fern with slender stem, floating leaves and a root like structure.  Spreads vegetatively by fragmentation.  Noxious in Nambucca Shire.	Prefers slow moving streams or still ponds with high nutrient levels and water temperatures around 20-30°C degrees.	Sometimes confused with Azolla species when juvenile and some Duckweeds.	In most cases the best treatments involve all methods.
Glush weed Hydrophilia costata		Reddish, four-angled stems, grows to 1m tall. Leaves in pairs. Plants grow out over water from bank. White or mauve papery flowers. Noxious in Nambucca Shire.	Creek lines and water storages in NE NSW and SE QLD.	Native tropical species.	Report to weed control officer. Spray with approved herbicide.
<b>Hymenachne</b> Hymenachne amplexicaulis		Semi aquatic perennial grass. Introduced from tropical South America. An erect grass that can grow in water up to 2m deep with hairless stems. Submerged stems produce roots from stem. Cylindrical spike-like flower heads in summer autumn.	Northern Australia. Freshwater wetlands, floodplains and river banks. Forms dense infestations, displacing native plants.	A native <i>Hymenachne</i> species occurs in northern Australia but is not found south of Mackay, Qld.	Removal is difficult. Most success from repeated herbicide treatment. Minimal control by burning and heavy grazing before flooding.
Morning Glory Ipomea spp. (Riparian weed)		Perennial twining climber, from tropical America, growing to the top of the tree canopy, forming a dense blanket of foliage. Large light green leaves.	Invades fragile creek lines and rainforest edges.	Nil.	Apply approved herbicide to stem close to the ground, then cut off above treated area. Do not pull out of trees as they cause considerable damage.
Madeira Vine Anredera cordifolia (Riparian weed)	艺术	Vigorous climber native to Sth America, with masses of creamy flowers on drooping spikes in summer-autumn. Serious garden escapee smothering trees and shrubs. Thousands of potato-like aerial tubers along stems which fall to the ground and sprout.	Invades fragile creek lines and rainforest edges in coastal summer rainfall NSW. Spread by water, tubers and spreading root system.	Native Wisteria (Milletia megasperma).	Difficult to control because of the tubers. Pull out of ground and hang up ground roots. Tubers that fall to ground bag and put in sun. Can use herbicide but follow up same as for hand method.



Chemical: Overall

and wick wiping are

the most common

methods.

spray, boom application



# Noxious and poisonous plants

#### **Poisonous Plants**

Poisonous plants are plants that are toxic to stock and/or humans. There is no legal obligation for poisonous plants to be controlled, unless they are declared noxious, but it is in landholders best interest to do so. An animal's natural instinct to know which plants are good for them cannot be relied upon and poisoning can occur to animals which have lived here all their lives as well as animals moved here from other areas.

Some of the most prevalent poisonous plants here in the Nambucca are Red-flowered Lantana, Bracken fern, Crofton Weed (for horses), Green Cestrum (*Cestrum parquii*), Mother of Millions, Fireweed, Native Peach and Sorghum species.

#### Noxious Weeds

Noxious Weeds are plants that are declared to be noxious under the *Noxious Weeds Act 1993*. This Act requires landholders and the occupiers of land to control Noxious Weeds on the land under their management. Nambucca Shire Council is responsible for enforcing control of Noxious Weeds on private land, Council owned/managed land and vacant crown lands.

To be declared noxious, a weed must have a detrimental effect or cause serious economic loss to agriculture, to the environment or human health. Currently the most costly noxious weeds for rural landholders in the Nambucca are Giant Parramatta Grass, Red-flowered Lantana, Groundsel Bush and Fireweed. Each local government area on the mid north coast has its own declarations.

The information below explains the different control requirements for each class of declared noxious weeds. Always use approved frog-friendly herbicide when near a water body.

For the full list of Noxious Weeds Declarations in the Nambucca Shire go to www.dpi.nsw. gov.au/agriculture/pests-weeds/weeds/noxweed.

For more information on weeds in the North Coast area and their control, please visit the North Coast Weeds Advisory Committee website at www.northcoastweeds.org.au and to www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pests-weeds/weeds/publications/noxious-enviro-weed-control for the Noxious and Environmental Weed Control Handbook.

For free "on-ground" advice on weed identification and management contact Nambucca Shire Council's Noxious Weeds Officer, Tim Woodward, on 02 6568 2555 Mob: 0417 271 378.

#### Class 1 and 2

The plant must be eradicated from the land and the land must be kept free of the plant.

#### Class 3

The plant must be fully and continuously suppressed and destroyed.

#### Class 4

The growth of the plant must be managed in a manner that reduces its numbers, spread and incidence and continuously inhibits its reproduction.

#### Class 5

Are weeds that are not to be sold or knowingly distributed and the requirements in the Noxious Weeds Act 1993 for a notifiable weed must be complied with.



The table below highlights the most important noxious weeds in the Nambucca Shire. Note that many of the weeds listed below can be found across all areas.



#### Generally in agricultural areas



Generally in environmental and urban areas

	Name	Class	Plant type	Description	Control
REAS	Alligator Weed Alternanthera philoxeroides	2	Ground cover, Aquatic	Horizontal stems that produce roots and has shoots that develop into new plants, forming mats. Leaves without stalks, dark green, smooth, waxy, 2-7cm long, 5-40mm wide, in pairs and opposite. Flowers are silvery white.	Mechanical: Deep manual digging.  Chemical: Foliar spray over a six year period.
	Crofton Weed Argeratina adenophora	4	Ground cover	Erect shrub, numerous chocolate brown stems growing to 1-2m. Broad slightly crinkled trowel shaped toothed leaves, produces white flowers in spring.	Mechanical: Grazing or continual slashing with pastoral improvement or hand digging. (Poisonous to horses)  Chemical: Foliar spray.
GENERALLY IN AGRICULTURAL AREAS	Fireweed Senecio madagascariensis	4	Ground cover	Annual or biennial herb, 70cm high. The Fireweed plant produces a huge amount of seed 30,000 per plant, with branched stems and has mid-green leaves of variable structure, to 8cm long and to 1.5cm wide.	Mechanical: Pull up plants, chip and hoe, pasture improve.  Chemical: Spot spray or boom spray methods.
GENERALLYI	Giant Paramatta Grass Sporobolus fertilis	4	Ground cover	A coarse tussocky grass that grows to a height of between 70cm and 1.6metres. The seed head is up to 40cm long and 1-2cm wide, thousands of seeds viable for 7 years.	Mechanical: Pull up or dig up plants taking care not to scatter seed. Only suitable for minor infestations. Chemical: Wick wiping or spot spraying.
	Giant Rat's Tail Grass Sporobolus pyramidalis	3	Ground cover	Tufted perennial to about 1.8m tall. Seed orange- brown, tapered-cylindrical, about 1mm long. Roots fibrous. Dense branched	Mechanical: Pull up plants, but take care not to scatter seed. Only suitable for minor infestations.

panicle 25-40cm long.



	Name	Class	Plant type	Description	Control	
	Groundsel Bush Baccharis halimifolia	3	Shrub	Densely branched shrub, 1.5-2m. Leaves alternate, wedge shaped and prominently toothed at tip. Striped bark on stems. Tufts of white or cream flowers on end of stems.	Mechanical: Young plants can be pulled out, cultivated or slashed with pasture improvement if wide spread.  Chemical: Cut stump,	
					basal bark and foliage spray.	
	Hymenachne Hymenachne amplexicaulis	1	Aquatic, ground cover	An erect grass which can grow in water up to two meters deep. Stems are	<b>Mechanical:</b> Minimal control by burning and heavy grazing.	
L AREAS				hairless, up to 1.6m tall and contain a white pith, the base of the leaf blade clasps around the stem.	Chemical: Repeated herbicide treatment most successful.	
JLTUR/	Kudzu Pueraria lobata	3	Vine	Coarse, high-climbing, twining, trailing, perennial.	Mechanical: Continual grazing with cattle.	
GENERALLY IN AGRICULTURAL AREAS				Hairy dark brown stems up to 15m long. It forms large root tubers up to 2m long and 18-45cm wide that can weigh as much as 180kg on old plants and can reach a depth of 1-5m.	Hand pulling or digging the tubers.  Chemical: Spray or wick wipe.	
	Lantana Red-flowered Lantana camara	4	Shrub, vine	Forms dense impenetrable thickets, 1-2m tall can reach 4m. Small prickles along angles of steam. Bright	Mechanical: Pull out small plants, slashing, integrated pastures, native replanting.	
				green oval leaves, flowers occur in compact heads 20-30 flowers per head.	Chemical: Foliar spray, cut and paint stump. Splatter gun method for larger areas.	
	Mistflower Ageratina riparia			Sprawling ground cover, numerous chocolate brown stems growing to 30cm. narrow elongated, toothed	<b>Mechanical:</b> Grazing or continual slashing with pastoral improvement or hand digging.	
				leaves, produces white flowers in spring.	Chemical: Foliar spray.	

	Name	Class	Plant type	Description	Control
GENERALLY IN AGRICULTURAL AREAS	Noogoora Burr Xanthium occidentale	4	Ground cover	Erect annual herbs to 2.5m tall with two growth forms; erect single stemmed or many branched and spreading. Extensive root system. Toxic to stock. Leaves dark green and similar in shape to grape vine leaves about 15cm in diameter.	Mechanical: Pasture improvement combined with hand pulling. Chemical: Foliar spot spraying.
	Salvinia Salvinia molesta	3	Aquatic	An aquatic fern with most leaves floating on the water surface, forming mat-like growths. Leaves of isolated plants are oval to heart-shaped, flat and as small as 10mm by 5mm.	Mechanical: Dry, then burn or bury. Removal by hand is practical for small areas. Removal by machine in open areas.  Chemical: Foliar spray.
	Tropical Soda Apple Solanum viarum	3	Shrub	South American perennial shrub, prickles to 12mm long scattered on plant parts. Leaves10-20cm long and 6-1cm wide with white hairs on underside. Cream coloured veins. White flowers. Yellow fruit 20-30mm.	Mechanical: Hand digging, chipping of plants.  Chemical: Foliar spray.
	Water Hyacinth Eichhomia crassipes	3	Aquatic	Forms large, dense mats on the water surface. Each plant consists of several broad, leathery leaves, spongy inflated petioles (leaf stalks), a crown and a mass of fine, hairy roots. Water hyacinth shows considerable variation in both leaf and flower form.	Mechanical: Removing plants from farm dams and drains, harvesting of large infestations.  Chemical: Spraying with hose and handgun, power sprays from a boat or the banks.  Large infestations can be aerially sprayed.
	Water Lettuce Pistia stratiotes	1	Aquatic	Perennial stoloniferous aquatic herb to 20cm above water level with feathery roots. Leaves wedge- shaped, pale green, to 15cm long, to 8cm wide.	Mechanical: Water lettuce plants cannot survive for long out of the water remove by either raking or being pulled to the bank with an encircling rope.  Allow to dry out and break down

Chemical: Foliar spray.

break down.



	Name	Class	Plant type	Description	Control
GENERALLY IN ENVIRONMENTAL & URBAN AREAS	Bitou Bush Chrysanthemoides monilifera (subspecies rotundata)	4	Shrub	Shrub to 2m tall.  Distinguished by sprawling habit, yellow flowers in heads with up to 13 petal-like ray florets and egg-shaped, green, to black seeds. Fleshy, oval with the narrow end at the base, 3 to 6cm long, (sometimes slightly toothed), young leaves covered in a cottony down.	Mechanical: Pull all roots of small plants. Plants can be treated using cut-paint method.  Chemical: Spot spraying, cut and paint stump. Aerial application.
	Bridal Creeper Asparagus asparagoides	5	Vine	Climber or scrambler over vegetation. Leaves green, alternate, parallel veined, from 1-7cm x 8-30mm. Flowers greenish-white, sweetly scented, hanging on stalks singly or in pairs along branchlets. Small, red berry, 9 black, shiny, ovoid seeds.	Manual: Pulling or digging of roots and tubers.  Chemical: Foliar spraying on large infestations.
	Broad-leaved Pepper Tree Schinus terebinthifolius	3	Tree	A tree which grows up to 6m tall, sometimes up to 16m, previously planted as a garden ornamental, but now a weed in coastal areas. The tree is quite resinous. Shiny oval shaped leaves; the plant also has small red berries.	Manual: Small seedlings can be removed manually. Chemical: Cut and paint stump and basal bark.
	Camphor Laurel Cinnamomum camphora	4	Tree	Evergreen hardy spreading tree to 20m high. Bark greyish, with numerous fissures.  Distinguished by aromatic camphor oil smell when leaves are crushed. Produces lush bright green foliage in spring.	Mechanical: Pull up all small plants and hang up away from ground level. Cut larger plants off well below ground level and mulch stump. Chemical: Injection or cut and paint.
	Chinese Tallow Tree Triadica sebifera	3	Tree	It is a medium-to-large tree which can reach 15m to 20m high. Branches are often long and drooping. Leaves are simple alternate and heart shaped, medium to dark green above, paler underneath, with conspicuous yellowish veins on both surfaces.	Chemical: Stem injection preferred to get to extensive root system. Cut and paint stump.

	Name	Class	Plant type	Description	Control
GENERALLY IN ENVIRONMENTAL & URBAN AREAS	Honey Locust Gledistsia triacanthos	3	Tree	Deciduous spreading tree growing to 25m high. Seedpods are slightly sickle-shaped. Multiple crucifix-like thorns, up to 15cm long, which form along trunks and limbs.	Mechanical: Pull up all small plants and hang up away from ground level.  Chemical: Foliar spray, basal bark, stems injection, cut and paint.
	Mysore Thorn Caesalphinia decapetala	3	Shrub, vine	Perennial shrub to 2-4m or sprawling climber to 15m high that readily forms a dense impenetrable thicket. Leaves are bi-pinnate and up to 300mm long. Leaflets are dark green above and pale beneath. Distinctive pale yellow flowers in winterspring.	Chemical: Foliar spray when in growth season.
	Privet Broad-leaved Ligustrum lucidum	4	Tree	A robust, vigorous, evergreen, fast-growing large shrub to small tree. Clusters of small round blue-black berries persist into winter.	Mechanical: Pull up all small plants and hang up away from ground level. Mowing or cutting. Cut larger plants off well below ground level and mulch stump.
					Chemical: Foliar spray, basal bark, stem injection, cut and paint.
GEI	Privet Narrow-leaved Ligustrum sinense	4	Shrub	A multi-branched, hardy, evergreen, fast-growing shrub to 4m, formerly used extensively for hedging. Sprays of small round blueblack berries persist into winter.	Mechanical: Pull up all small plants and hang up away from ground level. Mowing or cutting. Cut larger plants below ground level and mulch stump.
					spray, basal bark, stems injection, cut and paint.





# Local Plants and Communities of Conservation Significance



## Protected native plants list

Found in the Nambucca Catchment

(Listed on Schedule 13 of the National Parks & Wildlife Act 1974)

Scientific Name	Common name	Plant Type
Actinotus helianthi	Flannel Flower	Herb
Adiantum spp.	Maidenhair Ferns	Fern
Archontophoenix cunninghamiana	Bangalow Palm	Tree
Arecaceae spp. all native species	Palms	Tree
Asplenium australasicum	Bird's Nest Fern	Rhizome
Asplenium falcatum	Fern	Fern
Baekea virgata	Twiggy Heath-Myrtle, Tall Baeckea	Shrub
Banksia ericifolia	Heath Banksia	Tree
Banksia marginata	Silver Banksia	Tree
Banksia spinulosa	Hairpin Banksia	Shrub
Blandfordia cunninghamii	Christmas Bells	Herb
Blandfordia grandiflora	Christmas Bells	Herb
Blandfordia nobilis	Christmas Bells	Herb
Boronia spp. all native species (except 5)	Boronias	Shrub
Calochlaena dubia	Soft Bracken, Rainbow Fern	Rhizome fern
Casuarina cunninghamiana	River Oak	Tree
Caustis spp.	Curly Sedges, Old Mans Whiskers	Sedges, Rhizome
Ceratopetulum gummiferum	Christmas Bush	Tree
Cordyline spp. native to NSW	Palm Lillies	Shrub
Cordyline stricta	Narrow-leaved Palm Lilly	Tree
Correa alba	White Correa	Shrub
Corymbia gummifera	Red Bloodwood	Tree
Cryptandra scortechnii	Cotton Bush	Shrub
Cyanthea spp.	Tree Ferns	Tree
Dianella caerulea	Paroo Lilly	Herb
Dicksonia spp.	Tree Ferns	Tree
Eriostemon spp. all native species (except 6)	Wax Flowers	Shrub
Eriostemon myoporoides spp. epilosus	Native Daphne, Long-leaved Wax Flower	Shrub

Scientific Name	Common name	Plant Type
Eucalytpus robusta	Swamp Mahogany	Tree
Gahnia sieberiana	Red-fruited Saw Sedge	Tussock
Gleichenia dicarpa	Pouched Coral Fern	Fern
Isopogon spp. native to NSW	Drumsticks, Cone-bushes	Shrub
Livistona australis	Cabbage Tree Palm	Tree
Lomatia silaifolia	Crinkle Bush	Shrub
Orchidaceae all native species	Orchids	Orchid
Pandanus spp. all native species	Pandanus	Tree
Persoonia spp. native to NSW (except 2)	Geebungs	Shrub
Phebalium squamulosum	Scaly Phebalium	Tree
Philotheca myoporoides (except 1)	Wax Flowers	Shrub
Philotheca spp. native to NSW (except 3)	Philothecas	Herb
Platycerium all native species	Elk Horn, Stag Horn	Epiphyte
Pteridium esculentum	Bracken, Common Bracken Fern	Fern
Restio tetraphyllus	Tassel-Rush	Rush
Sphagnum spp.	Sphagnum Mosses	Moss
Todea barbara	King Fern	Fern
Xanthorrhoea spp.	Grass Trees	Shrub
Xanthorrhoea spp. foliage only	Grass Trees	Shrub
Xanthorrhoea spp. flower spikes only	Grass Trees	Shrub
Zamiaceae family foliage only (except 4)	Cycads	Shrub

- 1. P. myoporoides spp. epilosus.
- 2. P. acerosa, P. bargoensis, P. brevifolia, P. caspidifera, P. daphnoides, P. deanei, P. glaucescens, P. hirsuta, P. laxa, P. marginata, P. mollis, P. nutans, P. oxycoccoides, P. procumbens, P. recendens, P. rufa, P. terminalis, P. umbellata and P. volcanica.
- 3. P. ericifolius, P. myoporoides and P. obovalis.
- 4. Macrozamia johnsonii and Macrozamia pauli-guilielmi spp. Flexuosa.
- B. chartaceae, B. deanei, B. fraseri, B. granitica, B. repanda, B. rubiginosa, B. serrulata, B. subulifolia, B. umbellata.
- 6. E. australasius, E. ericofolius and E. myoporoides spp. epilosus.

In the interests of protecting species diversity and ecological sustainability, the National Parks & Wildlife Service restricts the commercial use of protected plants through Schedule 13 of the National Parks & Wildlife Act 1974.

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## **Threatened Native Plants List**

Found in the Nambucca Catchment

(Listed on Schedule 1 or 2 of the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995)

Scientific Name	Common name	Status	Plant Type
Acacia chrysotricha*	Newry Golden Wattle	Endangered	Tree
Acronychia littoralis*	Scented Acronychia	Endangered (EPBC E)	Tree
Anetholea anisata*	Ringwood	Vulnerable	Tree
Chamaesyce psammogeton*		Endangered	Herb
Diuris venosa	Goat Orchid	Vulnerable	Ground Dweller
Glycine clandestina* (Broad-leaved form)		Endangered	Twiner
Hicksbeachia pinnatifolia	Red Bopple Nut	Vulnerable	Tree
Marsdenia longiloba*	Clear Milk Vine	Endangered (EPBC V)	Vine
Melaleuca groveana*		Vulnerable	Tree
Neoastelia spectabilis		Vulnerable	Herb
Niemeyera whitei*	Rusty Plum	Vulnerable	Tree
Parsonia dorrigoensis*	Dorrigo Gum	Vulnerable (EPBC E)	Tree
Senna acclinis	Rainforest Senna	Endangered	Shrub
Tasmannia glaucifolia	Fragrant Pepper Bush	Vulnerable	Shrub
Tinospora smilacina		Endangered	Woody Climber
Tylophora woollsii		Endangered	Twiner

- Source: NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service Database (2003), Nambucca Catchment Vegetation Survey (Kendall & Kendall, 2003).
- Species\* recorded during Nambucca Catchment Vegetation Survey.
- EPBC: Species listed under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.



# **ROTAP\* and Regionally Significant Native Plants List** Found in the Nambucca Catchment

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Scientific Name	Common name	Description
Acacia decora	Western Golden Wattle	Regionally uncommon tree
Acronychia octandra	Dough Wood	Tree north from Bellingen R
Austrosteenisia glabristyla	Giant Blood Vine	Vine north from Dorrigo area
Bosistoa floydii	Five-leaved Bosistoa	Nationally rare and threatened tree, reaches southern limit in Taylors Arm
Cordyline petiolaris	Broad-leaved Palm Lilly	Tree north from Nambucca R
Crinum pedunculata	Crinum Lilly	Sparse herb species occurring in depleted habitat
Cryptocarya nova-anglica	Mountain Laurel	
Cryptocarya triplinervis	Three-veined Cryptocarya	Tree north from Macleay R
Cyperus filipes		Perennial herb/rush north from Macleay R
Dampiera sylvestris		Possibly regionally uncommon shrub
Dendrobium schoeninum	Orchid	Pencil orchid north from Macleay R
Dianella tasmanica		Perennial herb south from Dorrigo
Eucalyptus ancophila		
Eucalyptus fusiformis	Nambucca Ironbark	Nationally rare and threatened tree
Geranium potentilloides	Native Geranium	Perennial herb south from Nambucca R
Goodenia fordiana		
Jasminum dallachii		Scrambling shrub/climber north from Dorrigo
Leptospermum laevigatum	Coast Tea Tree	Tree south from Nambucca Heads
Lindsaea dimorpha		Fern north from Jervis Bay
Lophostemon suaveolens	Swamp Box	Tree north from Scotts Head
Ludwigia octovalvis	Water Primrose	Regionally uncommon herb and distribution disjunct
Marsdenia Iloydii	Corky Milk Vine	Vine north from Macleay R
Maytenus bilocularis	Orange Bark	Tree north from Macleay R
Melodinus guilfoylei	Bellbird Vine	Possibly regionally uncommon climber
Notothixos incanus	Grey Mistletoe	Sparse stem parasite species occurring in depleted habitat
Ozothamnus rufescens		Shrub south from Dorrigo
Persoonia levis	Broad-leaved Geebung	Shrub south from Nambucca R
Ripogonum elseyanum	Hairy Supplejack	Climber north from Bellingen R
Solanum densevestitum		Shrub north from Woolgoolga
Solanum vescum		Regionally uncommon shrub
Sparganium subglobosum	Floating Burr-Reed	Possibly regionally uncommon aquatic perennial

<sup>\*</sup>ROTAP - Rare or Threatened Australian Plants





## Threatened Populations\*

Found in the Nambucca Catchment

(Listed under the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995)

Threatened Population	Status
Glycine clandestina (broad-leaved form)	Endangered



## **Endangered Ecological Communities\***

Found in the Nambucca Catchment

(Listed under the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995)

#### **Endangered Ecological Communities**

Coastal Saltmarsh in the New South Wales North Coast, Sydney Basin and South East Corner Bioregions

Freshwater Wetlands on Coastal Floodplains of the New South Wales North Coast, Sydney Basin and South East Corner Bioregions

Littoral Rainforest in the New South Wales North Coast, Sydney Basin and South East Corner Bioregions

Lowland Rainforest in the NSW North Coast and Sydney Basin Bioregions

Lowland Rainforest on Floodplain in the New South Wales North Coast Bioregion

River-Flat Eucalypt Forest on Coastal Floodplains of the New South Wales North Coast, Sydney Basin and South East Corner Bioregions

Subtropical Coastal Floodplain Forest of the New South Wales North Coast Bioregion

Swamp Oak Floodplain Forest of the New South Wales North Coast, Sydney Basin and South East Corner Bioregions

Swamp Sclerophyll Forest on Coastal Floodplains of the New South Wales North Coast, Sydney Basin and South East Corner Bioregions

Themeda Grassland on Seacliffs and Coastal Headlands in the NSW North Coast, Sydney Basin and South East Corner Bioregions



## Critically Endangered Ecological Communities\*

Found in the Nambucca Catchment

(Listed under the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995)

#### Threatened Population

Lowland Rainforest of Subtropical Australia

Littoral Rainforest and Coastal Vine Thickets of Eastern Australia



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