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Trees (single trunked, grow taller than 4m)

Acmena	smithii	"Creek Lilly Pilly"	reliable, handsome, bushy medium-sized tree	white fluffy flowers & edible pink berries	sun or shade, salt spray resistant	about 10-12m	most soils, likes compost, moisture
Allocasuarina	littoralis	(syn. Casuarina littoralis)	small tree with slightly weeping habit	fast-growing, good narrow screen	very adaptable, sun or shade	10m x 4-5m	hardy in most soils
Allocasuarina	torulosa	"Forest She-Oak"	reliable small to medium conical tree	weeping foliage with purple tinge in winter	(syn. Casuarina torulosa)	up to 15m	any reasonable soil
Angophora	leiocarpa (syn. A. costata)	"Sydney Red Gum"	medium to large tree	beautiful bright orange bark	clusters of cream flowers in summer	10-20m x 8m	most climates, most well-drained soils
Backhousia	myrtifolia		tall shrub or bushy tree	fresh foliage and yellowish-green flowers	cool, moist areas for best growth	3-7m x 2-4m	good background tree or screen
Banksia	integrifolia		fast growing large shrub or small tree, tolerates	bird-attractive yellow flowers much of year	prefers sunny position	5+m x 4-6m	sandy to clay soils
Banksia	serrata	"Coast Banksia"	gnarled large shrub or small tree	grey-green flower spikes in autumn	long-lived and hardy	up to 10m	any well-drained soil, incl. clay
Callitris	rhomboidea	"Port Jackson Pine"	columnar tree for formal/informal gardens	widespread throughout eastern Australia	hardy, but ample moisture for good growth	up to 15m	most soils, including clay
Ceratopetalum	gummiferum	"Christmas Bush"	spectacular-flowering large shrub or tree	white flowers age to red	full sun for best flowering	5m x 1.5m	well-drained soils, including clay
Elaeocarpus	reticulatus	"Blueberry Ash"	excellent upright small to medium tree	profuse white fringed flowers in spring	adaptable - heavy shade or full sun	8-15m x 3-5m	most soils, including clay, with reasonable
Eucalyptus	haemastoma	"Scribbly Gum"	small to medium fast-growing tree with typically crooked trunk	beautiful white bark with insect "scribbles"	open aspect - tolerates salt-laden winds	10-15m x 10m	well-drained soil
Eucalyptus	saligna	"Sydney Blue Gum"	tall, straight tree with white smooth bark	fast growing	requires ample water	20m x 10m	adaptable to most soils
Glochidion	ferdinandi	"Cheese Tree"	bushy fast growing tree	unusual cheese shaped fruits	adaptable - sun or shade	6-8m x 3-5m	any well-composted soil, likes moisture
Melaleuca	linariifolia	"Snow in Summer"	very hardy small tree suitable as screen	abundant creamy white flowers attractive to insects	flowers spring to summer	5-7m x 4m	most situations & soils, prefers moisture
Melaleuca	styhelioides	"Prickly Paperbark"	hardy large dense shrub or small tree	creamy white flowers in summer	fast growing, excellent screen or street tree	3-5m x 4m	most soils including poorly drained clay
Syncarpia	glomulifera	"Turpentine"	tall rough-barked tree with white flowers	suited to large gardens	excellent windbreak or specimen	to 30m	hardy & fast growing in any moist soil
Tristania	laurina	"Water Gum"	compact small tree with attractive foliage	bright yellow flowers in summer	sun or shade	6m x 4m	adaptable, likes moisture incl. boggy or moist spot



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Acacia	floribunda	"White Sally"	graceful fast-growing large shrub/ small tree	yellow rod flowers in late winter/spring	dappled shade, full or part sun	4-5m x 4m	most soils with some moisture, incl. clay
Acacia	longifolia	"Sydney Golden Wattle"	hardy fast-growing large shrub, attractive to insect-eating birds	golden flower spikes in spring	adaptable and fast growing, frost hardy	3-6m x 2-5m	any reasonable well- drained soil
Angophora	hispidula	"Dwarf Apple"	spreading tall shrub or small tree, highly bird-attractive	terminal clusters of white flowers in sum-	likes plenty of sun	4m x 3m	reasonably drained soil
Baeckea	linifolia		beautiful weeping shrub	many small white flow- ers, esp. in summer	most compact in full sun	2m x 2m	tolerates poor drainage
Banksia	ericifolia	"Heath Banksia"	hardy adaptable large shrub, bird attractive	showy & long-lasting orange-red flower	good screen or wind- break	3-5m x 4m	any soil except poorly drained or alkaline
Banksia	marginata	"Silver Banksia"	hardy fast growing shrub or small tree, good for birds	rounded yellow flower spikes	adaptable to most cli- mates and positions	2-5m x 2-3m	any reasonable soil
Callicoma	serratifolia	"Black Wattle"	tall shrub or small bushy tree	showy pale yellow flow- ers	good in shade, e.g. south facing wall	up to 5m x 3m	likes a moist to wet soil - mulch well for best
Callistemon	citrinus	"Crimson Bottle- brush"	very hardy bird attractive medium shrub, good screening plant	large bright red brushes spring & autumn	best flowering in full sun	2m x 1.5m	wet or dry soils, includ- ing clay
Grevillea	linearifolia		medium-sized long-flowering shrub, prune for density	delicate lacy white or pink flowers, good un-	adaptable, partial shade to full sun	2-3m x 1.5m	any reasonably-drained soil
Hakea	sericea		very hardy, adaptable, medium to large shrub	good screen, foliage good cover for birds	white flowers & interest- ing large fruits	3-4m x 2-3m	most soils, prefers sunny spot, frost hardy
Isopogon	anethifolius	"Drumsticks"	small/medium screen or speci- men shrub	yellow cones suitable for cut flowers,	part shade or sun	1-2m x 1-2m	most soils, but not wa- ter-logged
Kunzea	ambigua	"Tick Bush"	hardy fast growing screen or hedge shrub	scented white flowers in spring	attractive to insect- eating birds	3-4m x 2m	most soils and aspects suitable
Lambertia	formosa	"Mountain Devil"	erect bushy shrub, highly bird attractive	clusters of tubular red flowers most of year	very hardy in most soils & aspects	2m x 1.5m	well-drained soils in- cluding clay
Leptospermum	laevigatum	"Coastal Tea Tree"	very hardy bushy screen plant, suits coastal conditions	white flowers in spring	provides shelter & nest- ing sites for birds	3m x 2.5m	any reasonably drained soil, including clay
Leptospermum	polygalifolium	(syn. <i>L. flavescens</i>)	medium shrub, attracts insect- eating birds	white flowers in spring/ early summer	best in sunny spot with ample water	2-3m x 2m	adaptable - most soils
Melaleuca	nodosa		hardy rounded shrub, suitable for screen, salt resistant	pale yellow flower heads spring/summer	suits almost any aspect	up to 3m x 2.5m	any soil including clay
Persoonia	pinifolia	"Pine Leaf Geebung"	beautiful large shrub with fine leaves, good for cut foliage	spikes of golden yellow flowers, esp. summer	sun or semi-shade	2-3m x 2-3m	hardy in a well-drained soil



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Small to Medium Shrubs (less than 2m high)

Acacia	suaveolens	"Sweet Wattle"	adaptable ornamental medium-sized wattle, useful low windbreak	scented pale yellow flower heads in winter	dappled shade, part or full sun	about 2m x 3m	reasonably well-drained soils incl. clay
Actinotus	helianthi	"Flannel Flower"	spreading dwarf plant	soft white flowerheads in spring & summer	full sun or partial shade	30cm-1m x 1m	good drainage essential -suits sandy soil or rock-
Banksia	oblongifolia	(syn. B. asplenifolia)	medium shrub, attractive rusty new growth	yellow-green flowers in autumn & winter	adaptable - full sun or partial shade	1m x 1.5m	most soils with reasonable drainage
Banksia	spinulosa	"Hairpin Banksia"	medium shrub, excellent bird attractant	showy golden flower spikes	sun or part shade, good under eucalypts	2m x 1.5-2m	hardy in any well-drained acid soil
Bauera	rubroides	"River Dog Rose"	small to medium shrub	pink rose flowers much of the year	sun or shade	1m x 2m	any moist but reasonably well-drained soil
Correa	reflexa	"Native Fuchsia"	hardy small shrub	attractive yellow-tipped red bell flowers	full to three quarters sun	1m x 1m	well-drained soil
Crowea	exalata		rounded small shrub, good for cut flowers	pink star flowers in summer & autumn	dappled shade or partial sun, mulch for cool roots	70cm-1m x 1m	well-drained soil with reasonable moisture
Crowea	saligna		medium shrub with very attractive pink flowers summer/autumn	tip prune after flowering	semi-shade, or full sun if roots protected by	1m x 1m	light well-drained soil, or container plant
Dillwynia	retorta	"Bacon & Eggs"	colourful small to medium shrub	many red & yellow pea flowers in spring	prune after flowering	1-2m x 1-2m	best in a well-drained sand
Epacris	longiflora		open shrub, will trail over rocks	tubular red/white flowers for long periods	sun or shade	1m x 1m	well-drained sandy soil with ample moisture
Goodenia	ovata		very hardy, fast-growing, medium shrub, prune regularly	bright yellow flowers in spring & summer	adaptable - prefers some shade	1.5m x 60cm	most soils, including clay & wet soils
Grevillea	buxifolia	"Grey Spider Flower"	open rounded shrub	good for cut flowers	grey flowers good contrast to red Grevilleas	1.5m x 1m	well-drained, sunny position
Grevillea	sericea	"Pink Spider Flower"	long-flowering, upright shrub	pink or white clusters of flowers, prune regularly	sunny position, frost hardy	1.5m x 1m	well-drained soil
Ozothamnus	diosmifolius	"Sago Flower"	hardy erect shrub, good for cut flowers	showy white flower-heads in spring/summer	sun or shade, frost hardy	1.5-2m x 1m	most soils including clay
Phebalium	squamulosum		compact small shrub for low screen	profuse cream/yellow flowers in spring	good in full sun or part shade	1-2m x 1.5m	well-drained soils, incl. slightly alkaline
Tetradlea	thymifolia	"Black-eyed Susan"	rounded small shrub	dainty purple bell-like flowers in spring/	dappled or part shade	60cm x 60cm	well-drained soil - good pot plant
Westringia	fruticosa	"Native Rosemary"	very hardy medium to large shrub for formal or informal hedge	white flowers for much of the year	almost any situation including frost, salt spray	2m x 4m	any soil including clay



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Plants for the Understorey

Adiantum	aethiopicum	"Maidenhair Fern"	small fern forming spreading patches	attractive lacy foliage	best in sunny sites with good moisture	10-20 cm x 20-30cm	tolerates heavy clay soils
Asplenium	australasicum	"Bird's Nest Fern"	adaptable medium to large fern	handsome bright green fronds	best in part shade, morning or filtered sun	50cm-2m x 1-2m	rock, tree, well-drained soil or tub
Billardiera	scandens	"Apple Berry"	hardy slender twiner or ground cover, long-flowering	cream tubular flowers followed by edible berries	good in semi-shade, e.g. under trees	plant 50cm - 1m apart	any reasonably drained soil, including
Blechnum	cartilagineum	"Gristle Fern"	medium to tall fern with leathery leaves	attractive pink new growth	good under eucalypts	50cm-1m x 50cm-1m	adaptable to a range of soils including clay
Dianella	caerulea	"Flax Lily"	tufting plant, sometimes forming colonies	blue and yellow flowers, blue berries	full sun or part shade	up to 1m x 2m	appreciates some soil moisture
Dichondra	repens	"Kidney Weed"	creeping plant with tiny green flowers, good between flagstones	excellent ground cover or lawn substitute	ample moisture required, shade or sun	30 cm spaces	any moist soil
Doodia	aspera	"Prickly Rasp Fern"	hardy attractive fern forming colonies, good under trees	bright pink or red new growth	shade to nearly full sun	20-30cm tall	well-drained soil
Hardenbergia	violacea		vigorous climber or trailer	masses of purple pea flowers in winter	sun or shade	2m intervals	most reasonably drained soils, esp.
Hibbertia	empetrifolia		bushy small shrub or climber	bright yellow flowers about 1cm across	sun or shade	1m x 1m	moist but well-drained soil
Hibbertia	scandens	"Snake Vine"	hardy, vigorous climber or ground cover	bright yellow flowers 5cm across much of the year	adaptable, prefers warm position, best in sun	fast growing	likes well-drained soil, especially sand
Isolepis (Ficinia)	nodosa	"Knobby Club Rush"	small tufted plant good near ponds or water features	round brown flower-heads throughout year	full sun, wet areas, but stands dry periods	up to 1m high	sandy or gravelly soils
Kennedia	rubicunda	"Dusky Coral Pea"	adaptable vigorous climber or creeper, bird-attractive	dull red pea flowers in spring	full sun or part shade, frost hardy	plant at 1-2m spaces	most soils, good ground stabiliser
Lomandra	longifolia	"Mat Rush"	very hardy tufted plant with strong upright lines	spike of unusual lightly-scented flowers	sun or shade	1m x 1m	suits any soil, drought resistant
Macrozamia	communis	"Burrawang"	lovely foliage plant for rockery or container	slow-growing	best in partial shade - can be used indoors	leaves 1- 2m long	well-drained soil
Patersonia	sericea	"Native Iris"	very decorative small clumping plant	violet flag flowers in spring & summer	sunny spot	20cm x 10cm	well-drained soil with good moisture
Platyserium	bifurcatum	"Elkhorn"	large showy fern	may be divided when larger	shady moist position with good light	forms large clumps	for rock, tree trunk or hanging basket
Themeda	australis	"Kangaroo Grass"	attractive tussock grass	bunched reddish/purple flower heads	green leaves turn reddish during the season	1m x 60cm	adaptable, including clay soils