

SOUTHERN DANDENONGS COMMUNITY NURSERY INC.

What's 'indigenous'?

Our indigenous plants are those plants that are not only native to Australia, but also to the Gippsland Plains and Southern Highland Fall bioregions of SE Australia. All plants are grown from plant material collected within these bioregions.

Why we grow indigenous plants ?

- Local plants provide essential food and shelter for local birds, insects and animals.
- Indigenous plants reflect the 'original character of an area, preserving and enhancing a sense of local identity.
- Indigenous plants have naturally adapted to suit local soils and climates, thus will readily grow without fertilisers & sprays
- These plants provide a key contribution to the Dandenong Ranges landscape
- Indigenous plants pose no weed threat to the local environment, being 'in balance' with the local ecology.
- Growing and planting indigenous plants helps preserve natural genetic diversity.

INDIGENOUS PLANT LIST

Climbers

Billardiera scandens
Calystegia marginata
Clematis aristata
Clematis microphylla
Hardenbergia violacea
Pandorea pandorana
Parsonia brownii
Rubus parvifolius

COMMON APPLEBERRY
FOREST BINDWEED
AUSTRAL CLEMATIS
SMALL LEAVED CLEMATIS
PURPLE CORAL PEA
WONGA VINE
TWINING SILKPOD
NATIVE RASPBERRY

Light climber, 1.5m, yellow-green bell flowers
Very vigorous climber, white/pink flowers, moist sites
Heart shaped leaves, masses of cream flowers
Dense climber, white flowers, fluffy seed heads
Climber or ground cover, to 3m, purple pea flowers
Dense, vigorous climber, pink and cream bells in spring
Dense, vigorous climber, small yellow flowers, long pods
Hardy, trailing or climbing plant, edible berries

Ground Covers

Acaena novae-zelandiae
Acrotriche prostrata
Astralina pusilla
Bossiaea prostrata
Centella cordifolia *
Cynoglossum latifolium
Dichondra repens
Galium australe
Gonocarpus humilis
Goodenia geniculata
Goodenia humilis
Hydrocotyle hirta
Kennedia prostrata
Lobelia alata *
Viola hederacea

BIDGEE WIDGEE
TRAILING GROUND-BERRY
SHADE NETTLE
CREEPING BOSSIAEA
SWAMP PENNYWORT
FOREST HOUND'S TONGUE
KIDNEY WEED
BEDSTRAW
CREEPING RASPWORT
BENT GOODENIA
SWAMP GOODENIA
HAIRY PENNYWORT
SCARLET RUNNER
ANGLED LOBELIA
NATIVE VIOLET

Hardy trailing ground cover. Spiny seed burrs
Trailing plant with small, triangular leaves
Non-stinging, 30cm H, creeping herb, shaded position
Delicate, creeping. Tiny yellow- brown flowers
Fast growing, Lt. green kidney shaped leaves, damp sites
Large oval prickly leaves, blue flowers, shady position
Prostrate, mat forming, kidney shaped leaves
Spreading, wiry plant, grow amongst other plants
Semi- prostrate herb with toothed leaves
Mat forming, green- red foliage, yellow flowers
Clump forming, profuse yellow flowers
Small, carpeting, hairy leaved plant
Prostrate, 1-2m W, scarlet pea flowers
Prostrate, to 30cm. Small blue flowers, damp sites
Matting ground cover, purple & white flowers

Grasses, Rushes & Sedges

Carex appressa *
Carex fascicularis *
Cyperus lucidus *
Danthonia caespitosa
Danthonia pencillata
Danthonia recemosa
Dichelacne micrantha
Echinopogon ovatus
Eragrostis brownii
Gahnia sieberiana
Isoplepis inundata *
Juncus amabilis *
Juncus pallidus *
Juncus planifolius *
Lomandra longifolia
Microlaena stipoides
Poa ensiformis

TALL SEDGE
TASSEL SEDGE
LEAFY FLAT SEDGE
COMMON WALLABY GRASS
SLENDER WALLABY GRASS
CLUSTERED WALLABY GRASS
PLUME GRASS
HEDGEHOG GRASS
COMMON LOVE-GRASS
RED-FRUITED SAW-SEDE
SWAMP CLUB-RUSH
RUSH
PALE RUSH
BROAD-LEAF RUSH
SPINY-HEADED MAT-RUSH
WEEPING GRASS
PURPLE SHEATH TUSsock
GRASS

Hardy sedge to 1.5m, damp to wet position
Hardy sedge, drooping seed head, wet position
1.5m H, rust red seed head, damp to wet position
Tufted tussock, fluffy seed heads, stems to 1.2m H
Tufted tussock, fluffy seed heads, stems to .6m H
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Small clumping grass, unusual hairy seed heads
Scrambling grass, round, hairy seed heads, shady site
Coarse, tufted grass to 30 cm, sunny position
Large, clump to 2m H, black seedhead, red fruit
Small, clumping tufts, damp to wet position
Hardy tufted clump to .5m H, damp position
Hardy tufted rush to 1m H, damp to shaded position
Small clump, to 30cm H, damp position
Strap like leaves, hardy, clump .5-1 m H
Native lawn grass, narrow weeping seed head
Large tussock forming grass for moist, sites

Grasses, Rushes & Sedges cont.

Poa labillardieri	LARGE TUSSOCK GRASS	Large tussock 1m H, silvery foliage_
Poa morrisii	VELVET TUSSOCK GRASS	Small tussock 30cm H, stem to .9m H, soft foliage
Themeda triandra	KANGAROO GRASS	Green to purple leaves- .5m H, stems to .9m H

Lilies & Wildflowers

Arthropodium milleflorum	PALE VANILLA LILY	Small clump, 30 cm high branch of pale pink flowers
Arthropodium strictum	CHOCOLATE LILY	Slightly taller, .5m H with violet flowers, choc. scent
Brunonia australis	BLUE PINCUSHION	30cm high in flower, sunny position
Bulbine bulbosa	BULBINE LILY	Fleshy clumps, tall spikes with yellow flowers
Burchardia umbellata	MILK MAIDS	White star-shaped flowers, sunny position
Chrysocephalum apiculatum	YELLOW BUTTONS	Silvery herb to 30cm, clusters of yellow flowers
Craspedia glauca	COMMON BILLY BUTTONS	Round yellow flower to .4m H, sunny position
Dianella longifolia var. longifolia	SMOOTH FLAX-LILY	Strap like leaves, panicles of blueish flowers
Dianella tasmanica	TASMAN FAX-LILY	Taller, flower spike to 2m H, hardy
Diplarrena moraea	BUTTERFLY FLAG	Tufted clump, large white iris flower
Helichrysum luecopsidium	SATIN EVERLASTING	White paper daisy, yellow centres. 50 cm high
Helichrysum scorpioides	BUTTON EVERLASTING	Yellow dandelion-like flowers to 30cm
Lagenifera stipitata	BLUE BOTTLE DAISY	Tiny purple daisy flowers to 15cm high
Leptorhynchus tenuifolius	WIRY BUTTONS	Small wiry clump to 30cm H, yellow flowers on stems
Patersonia occidentalis	LONG-LEAF PURPLE FLAG	Clump forming 40cm H, tall stems purple iris flowers
Pelargonium australe	AUSTRALE STORK'S BILL	Hairy herb with aromatic lobed leaves, pink flowers
Stackhousia monogyna	CREAMY STACKHOUSIA	Upright herb, clustered cream flowers in a spike
Stylidium graminifolium	GRASS TRIGGER PLANT	Attractive pink flower spikes to 1 metre
Wahlenbergia stricta	TALL BLUEBELL	Suckering 30cm x 50 cm H. Blue flowers

Small Shrubs- to 1.5 metres

Acacia brownii	HEATH WATTLE	Small prickly shrub, yellow flowers, 1 m H x1m W
Bauera rubioides	WIRY BAUERA	Fast growing dense shrub, showy pink- white flowers
Brachyscome multifida	CUT LEAF DAISY	Fast growing small shrub 40cm H, purple daisies
Correa reflexa	NATIVE FUSHIA	Pale green flowers, hairy leaves. 1 m H x 1 m W
Dillwynia cinerascens	GREY PARROT PEA	Fine leaves, showy clusters of red- orange pea flowers
Dillwynia sericea	APRICOT PARROT PEA	Narrow hairy leaves, yellow-apricot pea flowers
Epacris impressa	COMMON HEATH	Prickly leaves, masses of white, pink or red flowers
Goodenia ovata	HOP GOODENIA	Hardy, fast growing, yellow flowers all year
Gompholobium huegelii	COMMON WEDGE PEA	Large bright yellow pea flowers, sunny position
Hibbertia stricta var. stricta	ERECT GUINEA-FLOWER	Showy, erect shrub to 1m H, yellow flowers
Lomatia ilicifolia	HOLLY LEAF LOMATIA	Crinkly broad leaves. Up to 150 mm high in shaded foothills.
Pimelia flava ssp. flava	YELLOW RICE-FLOWER	Slender shrub to 1.5m H. Clusters of yellow flowers
Pimelia glauca	SMOOTH RICE-FLOWER	Upright to 60cm H, grey-green leaves, cream flowers
Pimelia humilis	SMALL RICE-FLOWER	Suckering, upright to 50cm H, dense cream-white flowers
Platylobium formosum	HANDSOME FLAT-PEA	Big orange pea flowers, .5m x 1 m W
Platylobium obtusangulum	COMMON FLAT-PEA	Arrow shaped leaves, pea flowers. 5m x 1 m W.
Pultenaea gunnii	GOLDEN BUSH-PEA	Spreading shrub to 1m H, yellow & red pea flowers
Pultenaea hispidula	RUSTY BUSH-PEA	Fine grey leaves, yellow pea flowers
Pultenaea scabra	ROUGH BUSH-PEA	Small heart shaped leaves, orange-yellow pea flowers
Tetratheca ciliata	PINK BELLS	Pink flowers in spring. 30cm W x 50cm H

Medium Shrubs- to 2.5 metres

Acacia myrtifolia	MYRTLE WATTLE	Masses of yellow flowers in spring. 2 m H x 1.5 w
Allocasuarina paludosa	SWAMP SHEOKE	Rusty-green foliage, slow growing to 2m high
Coprosma quadrifida	PRICKLY CURRANT BUSH	Open, upright, spiny shrub. Small, edible red berries
Grevillea alpina	MOUNTAIN GREVILLEA	Upright, hairy leaves, clusters of red and yellow flowers
Hakea nodosa	YELLOW HAKEA	Yellow flowers, soft needle-like foliage, to 2m H
Hakea teretifolia ssp. hirsuta	DAGGER HAKEA	Sharp needle foliage, masses of hairy white flowers
Hakea ulicina	FURZE HAKEA	Narrow, long leaves, small white flowers. 2.5m H
Indigofera australis	AUSTRAL INDIGO	Sprays of mauve pea flowers in Spring, clover-like leaves
Leptospermum myrsinoides	SILKY TEA-TREE	Shrub to 2.5m H, white flowers in Spring
Lomatia myricoides	LONG-LEAF LOMATIA	To 2.5 M high. Grows Upper Western Port creek banks.
Olearia lirata	SNOWY DAISY-BUSH	Soft open shrub, massed white daisy flowers
Olearia myrsinoides	SILKY DAISY-BUSH	Shiny dark green leaves, tight clusters of flowers
Olearia rugosa	WRINKLED DAISY-BUSH	Rough, wrinkled leaves. White flowers. Damp position
Pimelia axiflora	BOOTLACE BUSH	Creamy flowers, moist position, 1-2m high
Sambucus gaudichaudiana	NATIVE ELDERBERRY	Upright herb to 1.5m H, waxy white fragrant flowers
Spyridium parvifolium	AUSTRALIAN DUSTY MILLER	Soft shrub to 2 m H, attractive dusty grey-green foliage

Large Shrubs- to 5 metres

Acacia genistifolia	SPREADING WATTLE	Prickly shrub, yellow flowers Winter/ Spring 3m H x 3m W
Acacia leprosa	CINNAMON WATTLE	Pendulous habit, scented foliage, good screening plant
Acacia mucronata	NARROW-LEAF WATTLE	Variable habit, creamy yellow spike flowers, hardy
Acacia paradoxa	HEDGE WATTLE	Spiny shrub, 3m H x 3m W. Excellent hedge and bird hide

Large Shrubs (cont.)

Acacia stricta	HOP WATTLE	Upright shrub to 4/5m H, grey-green foliage
Acacia verticillata	PRICKLY MOSES	Open shrub, 5m H x 5m W, with fine prickly foliage
Banksia spinulosa var. cunninghamii	HAIRPIN BANKSIA	Large nectar producing flower cones, slow growing to 4m
Banksia marginata	SILVER BANKSIA	Yellow bottle brush flowers, grows to 5 metres
Bursaria spinosa	SWEET BURSARIA	Shiny dark leaves, masses of cream flowers, spiny, to 5m
Cassinia aculeata	DOGWOOD	Aromatic foliage, large white flower clusters
Goodia lotifolia	GOLDEN TIP	Masses of bright yellow flowers, clover like leaves, to 5m
Gynatrix pulchella	HEMP BUSH	Hairy heart shaped leaves, pale flowers, to 4m high
Hakea decurrens	BUSHY NEEDLEWOOD	Spiky shrub, white/pink flowers, to 4m H x 2m W
Hymenanthera dentata	TREE VIOLET	Dark green leaves, masses of fragrant tiny cream bells
Kunzea ericoides	BURGAN	Fast-growing, large bushy shrub, masses of white flowers
Leptospermum continentale	PRICKLY TEA-TREE	Hardy, shrub to small tree, white flowers, screen plant
Leptospermum lanigerum	WOOLY TEA-TREE	New growth silvery & hairy. White flowers, 4/5m H x 2m W
Melaleuca squarrosa *	SCENTED PAPERBARK	Stiff triangular leaves, spikes of fragrant cream flowers
Ozothamnus ferrugineus	TREE EVERLASTING	Masses of white flowers, excellent screening plant to 4m
Polyscias sambucifolius	ELDERBERRY PANAX	Variable, slender small tree to 5m H, yellow flowers
Solanum aviculare	KANGAROO APPLE	Fast growing, purple flowers, large red fruit, 3m H x 2.5m W
Viminaria juncea	GOLDEN SPRAY	Slender plant, broom-like foliage, yellow pea flowers
Zieria arborescens	STINKWOOD	Erect tall shrub, White flowers, moist position

Small Trees- 5-10 metres

Acacia implexa	LIGHTWOOD	Fast growing, suitable for drier positions, cream flowers
Acacia obliquinervia	MOUNTAIN HICKORY WATTLE	Dense grey-green pendulous foliage, yellow flowers
Acacia oxycedrus	SPIKE WATTLE	Prickly wattle, yellow spike flowers late Winter
Acacia pycnantha	GOLDEN WATTLE	Fast growing small tree, perfumed golden flowers
Allocasuarina littoralis	BLACK SHEOKE	Dark green soft needle-like foliage, to 8m tall
Bedfordia arborescens	BLANKET LEAF	Large, soft foliage, for moist shaded sites, to 8m H
Hedecarya angustifolia	AUSTRAL MULBERRY	Shiny green foliage, shaded, moist sites
Lomatia fraseri	TREE LOMATIA	Stiff leathery leaves, cream flowers, moist position
Melaleuca ericifolia *	SWAMP PAPERBARK	Narrow leaves, moist to swampy sites, to 9 m
Olearia argophylla	MUSK DAISY-BUSH	Moist forest gully plant, white daisies. 8m H x 4/5m W
Pittosporum bicolour	BANYALLA	Forest gully plant, yellow bell flowers, 10m H x 3m W
Pomaderris aspera	HAZEL POMADERRIS	Slender leafy shrub, moist shaded sites
Prostanthera lasianthos	VICTORIAN CHISTMAS BUSH	Moist positions, white flowers, to 8m high
Rapanea howittiana	MUTTONWOOD	Glossy leathery leaves, forest gully plant, to 10 m

Large Trees over 10 metres

Acacia dealbata	SILVER WATTLE	Fast growing, yellow flowers, moist sites
Acacia meansii	LATE BLACK WATTLE	Fast growing, perfumed yellow flowers, drier sites
Acacia melanoxylon	BLACKWOOD	Fast growing, cream flowers, most situations
Eucalyptus baxteri	BROWN STRINGYBARK	Medium-tall tree, rough bark, moist, well drained sites
Eucalyptus camaldulensis	RIVER RED GUM	Large open canopy on flood plain of Dandenong Ck catch.
Eucalyptus cephalocarpa	SILVER-LEAF STRINGYBARK	Small-medium tree, silvery foliage, moist, well drained
Eucalyptus dives	BROAD-LEAFED PEPPERMINT	Medium spreading branched tree on poor soils, silver foliage.
Eucalyptus cypellocarpa	MOUNTAIN GREY GUM	Medium-tall, smooth barked gum, adaptable to most sites
Eucalyptus goniacalyx	LONG LEAVED BOX	Small-medium tree, large green leaves, drier sites
Eucalyptus ignorabilis	SCENT BARK	Small-medium tree, spreading, suits most situations
Eucalyptus macrorhyncha	RED STRINGYBARK	Smallest local Stringybark species. Dry N. face sites to 10m H.
Eucalyptus melliodora	YELLOW BOX	Attractive medium-tall tree, best honey tree
Eucalyptus obliqua	MESSMATE	Medium-tall tree, rough bark, most situations
Eucalyptus ovata *	SWAMP GUM	Small-medium tree, suitable for wet sites
Eucalyptus pauciflora ssp. pauciflora	SNOW GUM	Grows locally with Red Gum. Medium low branched tree.
Eucalyptus radiata	NARROW-LEAVED PEPPERMINT	Small-medium tree, graceful weeping habit, drier sites
Eucalyptus regnans	MOUNTAIN ASH	Tall & straight, rough bottom, smooth top, moist position
Eucalyptus rubida ssp. rubida	CANDLEBARK	Nth Dandenongs. Upright tree, white trunk. Well drained soils
Eucalyptus viminalis *	MANNA GUM	Medium-tall, smooth white trunk, moist to wet sites

Wetland Species

also see species in previous lists marked with asterisk *

Alisma plantago-aquatica	WATER PLANTAIN	Semi-aquatic herb, tall flower spikes, pink flowers
Eleocharis sphacelata	TALL SPIKE-RUSH	Hardy aquatic plant to 2m H, immerse .4m- 1m deep
Eleocharis acuta	COMMON SPIKE RUSH	Creeping sedge to .7m H, damp to wet position
Gratiola peruviana	AUSTRAL BROOKLIME	Suckering plant, edge of water, pink flowers
Myriophyllum crispatum	WATER-MILFOIL	Feathery foliage, moist to wet soil, up to 1m deep
Persicaria decipiens	SLENDER KNOTWEED	Prostrate, to 1m, aquatic herb, small pink flowers
Persicaria preatermissa	SPOTTED KNOTWEED	Arrow shaped leaves, pink flowers
Persicaria subsessilis	HAIRY KNOTWEED	Hairy leaves, white flower
Ranunculus amphitrichus	SMALL RIVER BUTTERCUP	Mat forming, yellow flowers, permanently wet soils
Triglochin procera	WATER-RIBBON	Aquatic herb, ribbon leaves, submerged up to 1m
Triglochin striata	STREAKED ARROWGRASS	Slender aquatic herb, stems to 25cm H, moist to wet soil