



RELIABLE PLANT GUIDE FOR THE NEWCASTLE AND LOWER HUNTER AREAS

Growing plants that are native to your local area links your garden to the local wildlife and can attract native mammals, birds, frogs and lizards by providing their natural habitat.

- Choose the right plant for the right spot.
- Shrubs or small trees are more suitable for most suburban gardens, rather than forest giants.
- Occasional deep watering during dry periods will encourage plants to develop a deep root system.
- A layer of mulch or compost will help maintain constant soil temperature and conserve water.

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| <i>Acacia binervia</i> (Coast Myall) | x | | | x | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Acacia decurrens</i> (Black Wattle) | x | | | | x | | | | | | | |
| <i>Acacia elongata</i> (Swamp Wattle) | x | | | | x | | | | | x | | |
| <i>Acacia falcata</i> (Sickle Wattle) | x | | | | x | | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Acacia fimbriata</i> (Fringed Wattle) & dwarf forms | x | x | | x | | | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Acacia floribunda</i> (Gossamer Wattle) | x | x | | | x | | x | | | | | |
| <i>Acacia linifolia</i> (Flax Wattle) | x | | | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Acacia longifolia</i> (Sydney Golden Wattle) | x | x | | x | | x | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Acacia myrtifolia</i> (Myrtle Wattle) | x | | | | x | | | | | | | |
| <i>Acacia prominens</i> (Gosford Wattle) | x | | | x | x | | | | | | | |
| <i>Acacia suaveolens</i> (Sweet Wattle) | x | | | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Acacia terminalis</i> (Sunshine Wattle) | x | | | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Acacia ulicifolia</i> (Prickly Moses) | x | | | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Acmena smithii</i> (Lilly Pilly) & dwarf forms | x | x | | x | x | | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Angophora costata</i> (Sydney Red Gum) | x | x | x | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Angophora floribunda</i> (Rough-barked Apple) | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | | | x | | |
| <i>Angophora hispida</i> (Dwarf Apple) | x | x | x | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Anigozanthos flavidus</i> (Tall Kangaroo Paw) | | x | | | x | x | | | | x | x | |
| <i>Asplenium australasicum</i> (Birds Nest Fern) | x | x | | | | | x | | | | | |
| <i>Austromyrtus dulcis</i> (Midgen Berry) | | x | | | x | | x | x | | x | x | x |
| <i>Backhousia myrtifolia</i> (Grey Myrtle) | x | x | x | | x | x | x | x | | | | |
| <i>Baeckea linifolia</i> (Weeping Baeckea) | x | x | | | | | | | | x | | |
| <i>Babingtonia virgata</i> 'La Petite' (Dwarf Heath Myrtle) | x | x | | | x | x | x | x | | x | x | |
| <i>Banksia aemula</i> (Wallum Banksia) | x | x | | | | x | | | | | | |

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| <i>Banksia ericifolia</i> (Heath-leaved Banksia) | x | x | | x | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Banksia integrifolia</i> (Coast Banksia) | x | x | x | | | x | | | x | | | |
| <i>Banksia integrifolia</i> (Coast Banksia) - prostrate form | x | x | | | | | | | | | | x |
| <i>Banksia marginata</i> (Silver Banksia) | x | | | x | x | x | | | x | | | |
| <i>Banksia oblongifolia</i> (Fern-leaved Banksia) | x | | | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Banksia robur</i> (Swamp Banksia) | x | x | | | | | | | | x | | |
| <i>Banksia serrata</i> (Old Man Banksia) | x | x | x | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Banksia serrata</i> (Old Man Banksia) - prostrate form | x | x | | | | | | | | | | x |
| <i>Banksia spinulosa</i> (Hairpin Banksia) & dwarf forms | x | x | | | | x | | | x | | | |
| <i>Banksia spinulosa</i> (Hairpin Banksia) prostrate form | x | x | | | | | | | | | x | |
| <i>Bauera rubioides</i> (Dog Rose) | x | x | | | | | | x | | | | |
| <i>Billardiera scandens</i> (Apple Berry) | x | x | | | | | | | x | | | |
| <i>Blechnum indicum</i> (Swamp Water Fern) | x | x | | | | x | | x | | x | | |
| <i>Brachyscome species</i> (Native Daisy) | x | x | | | x | | | | | | x | |
| <i>Callicoma serratifolia</i> (Black Wattle) | x | x | x | | | | | x | | | | |
| <i>Callistemon</i> 'Angela' (Pink Bottlebrush) | x | | | | x | | | | | x | | |
| <i>Callistemon</i> 'Rocky Rambler' (Bottlebrush) | | x | | | x | | | | | x | x | |
| <i>Callistemon citrinus</i> (red or white Bottlebrush) | x | x | | | x | x | | | | x | | |
| <i>Callistemon pinifolius</i> (Pine-leaved Bottlebrush) | x | x | | | x | x | | | | x | | |
| <i>Callistemon salignus</i> (Willow Bottlebrush) | x | x | x | x | x | | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Callistemon subulatus</i> (Bottlebrush) | x | x | | | | | | | | x | | |
| <i>Callistemon viminalis</i> (Weeping Bottlebrush) | | x | x | x | x | | | | | x | | |
| <i>Callitris rhomboidea</i> (Port Jackson Pine) | x | x | x | | | x | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Carpobrotus glaucescens</i> (Angular Pigface) | x | x | | | | x | x | | | | | x |
| <i>Ceratopetalum gummiferum</i> (Christmas Bush) | x | x | | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Chrysocephalum apiculatum</i> (Yellow Buttons) Prostrate forms | x | | | | | | | | | | | x |
| <i>Clematis species</i> (Old Man's Beard) | x | | | | | | | | x | | | |
| <i>Commersonia hermanniifolia</i> (syn. Rulingia) | x | x | | | | | x | x | | | x | |
| <i>Cordyline stricta</i> (Slender Palm Lily) | x | x | | | | | | x | x | | | |
| <i>Correa alba</i> (White Correa) | x | x | | | | x | | | | | x | |
| <i>Ceratopetalum gummiferum</i> (Christmas Bush) | x | x | | | | x | | | | | | |

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| <i>Correa alba</i> (White Correa) | x | x | | | | x | | | | | x | |
| <i>Correa reflexa</i> (Native Fuchsia) | x | x | | | | x | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Corymbia</i> 'Summer Beauty' (Flowering Gum) | | x | x | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Crinum pedunculatum</i> (Swamp Lily) | x | x | | | | | | x | | x | | |
| <i>Crowea exalata</i> (Waxflower) Brandy Hill Form | x | x | | | | | x | | | | | |
| <i>Cupaniopsis anacardioides</i> (Tuckeroo) | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Cymbopogon refractus</i> (Barbed Wire Grass) | x | x | | | x | x | x | | | | | |
| <i>Dampiera purpurea</i> (Purple Dampiera) | x | x | | | | x | x | | | | x | |
| <i>Dendrobium speciosum</i> (Rock Lily) – if grown on rocks | x | | | | | | | | | | x | |
| <i>Dianella caerulea</i> (Blue Flax-Lily) | x | x | | | | | x | x | x | | x | |
| <i>Dillwynia retorta</i> (Heathy Parrot Pea) | x | x | | | | x | | | x | | | |
| <i>Diploglottis australis</i> (Native Tamarind) | x | x | x | | | | x | x | | | | |
| <i>Doryanthes excelsa</i> (Gynea Lily) | x | x | | | | x | | | x | | | |
| <i>Elaeocarpus reticulatus</i> (Blueberry Ash) | x | x | x | x | | x | x | | | | | |
| <i>Epacris longiflora</i> (Fuchsia Heath) | x | x | | | | x | | x | | | | |
| <i>Epacris microphylla</i> (Coral Heath) | x | x | | | | x | | x | | x | | |
| <i>Eremophila species</i> (Emu Bush) | | x | | | x | | | | | x | x | |
| <i>Eucalyptus haemastoma</i> (Scribbly Gum) | x | x | x | | | x | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Eucalyptus maculata</i> (Spotted Gum) | x | x | x | | x | | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Eucalyptus microcorys</i> (Tallowwood) | x | x | x | | x | | x | | | x | | |
| <i>Eucalyptus punctata</i> (Grey Gum) | x | x | x | | x | x | x | | | | | |
| <i>Eucalyptus sideroxylon</i> (Red Ironbark) | x | x | x | | x | | x | | | | | |
| <i>Ficus coronata</i> (Sandpaper Fig) | x | x | x | | x | x | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Goodenia ovata</i> (Hop Goodenia) | x | x | | | x | | x | | | x | x | |
| <i>Grevillea</i> 'Honey Gem' | | x | | x | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Grevillea</i> 'Moonlight' | | x | | x | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Grevillea</i> 'Ned Kelly' | | x | | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Grevillea</i> 'Royal Mantle' | | x | | | x | | | | x | x | | x |

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| <i>Grevillea</i> 'Superb' | | x | | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Grevillea juniperina</i> (Juniper-leaf Grevillea) | x | x | | | x | | | | | | | x |
| <i>Grevillea linearifolia</i> (White Spider Flower) | x | | | | | x | x | | | | | |
| <i>Grevillea longifolia</i> (Fern-leaf Grevillea) | x | x | | x | | | | | | x | | |
| <i>Grevillea montana</i> (Hunter Valley Grevillea) | x | | | | x | | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Grevillea rosmarinifolia</i> (Rosemary Grevillea) | | x | | x | x | | | x | | | | |
| <i>Grevillea sericea</i> (Silky Grevillea) | x | x | | | x | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Grevillea speciosa</i> (Red Spider Flower) | x | x | | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Hakea bakeriana</i> | x | x | | | x | x | x | | | | | |
| <i>Hakea salicifolia</i> (Willow-leaved Hakea) | x | x | x | | x | x | | | | x | | |
| <i>Hakea sericea</i> (Silky Hakea) | x | x | | | x | | x | | | | | |
| <i>Hardenbergia violacea</i> (False Sarsaparilla) | x | x | | | x | | x | | | | | |
| <i>Hardenbergia violacea</i> - non climbing forms | x | x | | | | | | | | | | x |
| <i>Hibbertia dentata</i> (Toothed Guinea Flower) | x | x | | | x | | x | x | x | | | x |
| <i>Hibbertia scandens</i> (Climbing Guinea Flower) | x | x | | | x | x | | | x | | | x |
| <i>Hibiscus heterophyllus</i> (Native Rosella) | x | x | x | | x | | | | | x | | |
| <i>Hovea linearis</i> (Common Hovea) | x | | | | | x | | | | | | |
| <i>Hovea longifolia</i> (Long-leaf Hovea) | x | | | | | x | | x | | | | |
| <i>Hymenosporum flavum</i> (Native Frangipani) | x | x | x | | x | x | x | x | x | | | |
| <i>Indigofera australis</i> (Australian Indigo) | x | x | | | x | | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Isopogon anemonifolius</i> (Broad-leaved Drumsticks) | x | x | | | | x | | | x | | x | |
| <i>Isopogon anethifolius</i> (Narrow-leaved Drumsticks) | x | x | | | | x | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Jacksonia scoparia</i> (Dogwood) | x | x | | | x | | x | | | | | |
| <i>Kennedia rubicunda</i> (Running Postman) | x | x | | | x | x | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Kunzea ambigua</i> (Tick Bush) | x | x | | | | x | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Lambertia formosa</i> (Mountain Devil) | x | x | | | x | x | x | | | | | |
| <i>Leptospermum flavescens</i> 'Cardwell' (Tea Tree) | | x | | x | x | x | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Leptospermum laevigatum</i> (Coastal Tea Tree) | x | x | | x | | x | | | x | | | |
| <i>Lomandra longifolia</i> (Spiny-head Mat-rush) | x | x | | | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | |
| <i>Lomatia silaifolia</i> (Crinkle Bush) | x | x | | | x | x | x | | x | | | |
| <i>Melaleuca linariifolia</i> (Snow-in-Summer) | x | x | x | x | x | | | x | | x | | |
| <i>Melaleuca nodosa</i> (Prickly-leaved Paperbark) | x | x | | x | x | x | | x | | x | | |

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| <i>Melaleuca styphelioides</i> (Prickly Paperbark) | x | x | x | x | x | | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Melaleuca thymifolia</i> (Thyme Honey-Myrtle) | x | x | | | x | x | | | | x | | |
| <i>Melicope elleryana</i> (Pink Doughwood) | x | x | x | | x | | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Micromyrtus ciliata</i> (Fringed Heath-Myrtle) | x | x | | | | x | | | | | x | x |
| <i>Myoporum parvifolium</i> (Creeping Boobialla) | | x | | | x | x | x | x | | x | | x |
| <i>Ozothamnus diosmifolius</i> (Rice Flower) | x | x | | | x | x | x | | | | | |
| <i>Persoonia pinifolia</i> (Pine-leaved Geebung) | x | | | | | x | | | x | | | |
| <i>Philotheca myoporoides</i> (Long-leaf Wax Flower) | x | x | | | x | | x | | | | | |
| <i>Pimelea linifolia</i> (Slender Riceflower) | x | x | | | x | x | x | | | | | |
| <i>Pouteria australis</i> (Black Apple) | x | x | x | | x | | | x | | | | |
| <i>Prostanthera incana</i> (Velvet Mintbush) | x | x | | | | | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Prostanthera incisa</i> (Cut-leaf Mintbush) | x | x | | | | | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Prostanthera ovalifolia</i> (Oval-leaf Mintbush) | x | x | | | | | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Prostanthera scutellarioides</i> (Mintbush) | x | x | | | x | x | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Pultenaea villosa</i> (Hairy Bush Pea) | x | x | | | x | x | x | x | | x | | |
| <i>Scaevola aemula</i> (Fairy Fan Flower) | x | x | | | | | x | | | x | | x |
| <i>Scaevola albida</i> (White Fan Flower) | x | x | | | x | | x | | | x | x | x |
| <i>Syncarpia glomulifera</i> (Turpentine) | x | x | x | | x | x | x | x | | | | |
| <i>Syzygium leuhmannii</i> (Small Leaved Lilly Pilly) | | x | x | x | x | | x | x | x | x | | |
| <i>Syzygium paniculatum</i> (Magenta Lilly Pilly) | x | x | x | | x | x | | x | | x | | |
| <i>Themeda triandra</i> (Kangaroo Grass) | x | x | | | x | x | x | | | | x | |
| <i>Viminaria juncea</i> (Native Broom) | x | x | | | x | x | | x | | x | | |
| <i>Viola hederacea</i> (Native Violet) | x | x | | | x | x | | x | | x | | x |
| <i>Westringia fruticosa</i> (Coastal Rosemary) | x | x | | | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | |