

If planting native trees in a small garden, it is important to consider the size the tree will grow and that any fire risk is minimized by planting as far away as possible from any dwelling.

The following Eucalyptus species will only grow to about 8m - 12m in height.



Eucalyptus behriana - Bull Mallee Eucalyptus incrassata - Ridge-fruited Mallee Eucalyptus odorata - Peppermint Box

More plants are available in the Community Nursery. Display gardens that showcase different uses:

- The Truly Australian Front Garden
- Central Garden
- Eremophila Garden
- CFS Fire-wise Garden

Opening Hours:

Garden: 7 days a week from sunrise to sunset

Community Nursery and NRC:

Monday by appointment

Tuesday 9am - 4.30pm

Wednesday 9am - 12.30pm

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Gardening with Native Plants



There is no limit to the design possibilities for gardens using local native vegetation. They are perfectly adapted to the climate and therefore use less water than most exotic plants and are less susceptible to pests and diseases.

Their versatility can be used to create stunning gardens in every landscaping design, be it cottage, formal, family or contemporary garden styles.

Gardens can also be adapted to attract specific animals. Some plants and design features are especially useful to create habitats for bees, butterflies, lizards, bats, possums, birds and other animals. The building of mounds, and use of rocks and gravel, gives a garden structure and depth but may also be used by native bees to burrow, or butterflies and lizards to bath in the sun.

A pond attracts frogs and other animals that are looking for a drink. Shrubs and trees provide shelter from wind and rain, can be used as formal and informal hedges and provide nesting places and shade.

Grasses are also an important part of every garden as they provide a food source for many insects and some are quite useful lawn alternatives to high water-using imported varieties.



Local Native Plants for Gardening



Podolepis rugata - Pleated Copper-wire Daisy



Vittadinia species - New Holland Daisy



Callistemon species - Bottlebrush

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Grevillea species - Grevillea



Eremophila species - Emu Bush



Senna species - Punty Bush