

Native Plants for Orange Gardens

The following is a selection of native plants that are generally reliable in Orange gardens. For more information about the culture of these plants specific to your location, ask your local plant nursery.

- Plant occurs naturally within the Orange region. Try the Atlas of NSW Wildlife on the NSW Environment and Heritage website for more local flora and fauna: www.bionet.nsw.gov.au/.

Botanical name	Common name	Notes
Large trees (over 10m tall)		
<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i> #	Blackwood	Long lived wattle, excellent timber species
<i>Eucalyptus cinerea</i>	Argyle Apple	Attractive silvery foliage
<i>Eucalyptus macarthurii</i>	Paddy's River Box	Spreading tree, retains lower foliage
<i>Eucalyptus nichollii</i>	Narrow-leaf Peppermint	Pendulous habit with narrow leaves, shade tree
<i>Eucalyptus pauciflora</i> #	Snow Gum	Glossy foliage, smooth white bark
<i>Eucalyptus scoparia</i>	Wallangara White Gum	Fast growing, yellow/white bark
<i>Eucalyptus stellulata</i> #	Black Sallee	Good for a cold moist site
<i>Eucalyptus viminalis</i> #	Manna or Ribbon Gum	Good shade tree, ribbon bark, for large gardens
Small trees / large shrubs (5 to 10m tall)		
<i>Acacia baileyana purpurea</i>	Cootamundra Wattle	Winter flowering, new foliage purple, fast growing
<i>Acacia dealbata</i> #	Silver Wattle	Grey-green ferny leaves, yellow flowers
<i>Acacia floribunda</i>	Sally Wattle	Bushy small tree, sprays of cream flowers in spring
<i>Banksia ericifolia</i>	Heath Banksia	Large flower spikes in autumn and winter
<i>Banksia marginata</i> #	Silver Banksia	Leaves silver on the underside, yellow flower spikes
<i>Eucalyptus crenulata</i>	Buxton Gum	Leaf margins crenulated, prefers moist areas
<i>Eucalyptus parvifolia</i>	Small-leafed Gum	Bushy foliage
Medium shrubs (2 to 5m tall)		
<i>Acacia covenyi</i>	Blue Bush	Attractive habit, bluish foliage, golden flowers
<i>Acacia boormanii</i>	Snowy River Wattle	Round shrub, profuse golden flowers in spring
<i>Acacia pravissima</i>	Ovens Wattle	Tall, pendulous shrub, triangular phyllodes
<i>Acacia rubida</i> #	Red-stemmed Wattle	Large, hardy shrub, good screen plant
<i>Acacia verniciflua</i> #	Varnish Wattle	Hardy, sparsely branched, reddish new foliage
<i>Banksia spinulosa</i>	Hairpin Banksia	Compact shrub, flowers autumn/winter
<i>Callistemon citrinus</i> #	Red Bottlebrush	Hardy shrub, various flower colours available
<i>Callistemon pallidus</i>	Lemon Bottlebrush	Creamy/yellow brushes spring and summer
<i>Callistemon ptyoides</i>	River Bottlebrush	Grey/green leaves, cream brushes
<i>Grevillea 'Poorinda Constance'</i>		Spidery red flowers
<i>Grevillea longifolia</i>	Long-leaf Grevillea	Red toothbrush flowers most of the year
<i>Hakea nodosa</i>	Yellow Hakea	Fragrant yellow flowers and prominent fruits
<i>Hakea sericea</i> #	Needle Bush	Prickly shrub, pink/cream spider flowers
<i>Leptospermum lanigerum</i>	Woolly Tea Tree	Erect or weeping shrub, white flowers in spring
<i>Leptospermum obovatum</i>	River Tea Tree	Slightly drooping habit, white flowers
<i>Melaleuca decussata</i>	Cross-leaf Honey Myrtle	Grey-green foliage, small mauve fluffy flowers
<i>Melaleuca ericifolia</i>	Swamp Bottlebrush	Creamy white flower spikes
Small shrubs (0.5 to 2m tall)		
<i>Acacia decora</i> #	Showy Wattle	Dome-shaped shrub, yellow flowers in spring
<i>Babingtonia virgata</i>	Twiggy Heath Myrtle	Spreading shrub, small white flowers
<i>Banksia canei</i>	Mountain Banksia	Hardy, yellowish flower spikes
<i>Bauera rubioides</i>	Dogrose	Pink flowers most of the year, dappled shade, water
<i>Callistemon pungens</i>	Purple Bottlebrush	Purple brushes, new growth silvery
<i>Calytrix alpestris</i>	Snow Myrtle	Heath-like leaves, white star-like flowers
<i>Correa 'Dusky Bells'</i>		Reliable low shrub, pale pink flowers
<i>Correa alba</i>	White Correa	Round leaves, white flowers in winter
<i>Correa decumbens</i>		Dull green leaves, erect tubular red flowers in winter
<i>Correa glabra</i>	Rock Correa	Smooth round leaves, green bell flowers in winter
<i>Correa pulchella</i>		Dainty shrub, orange or pink flowers in winter
<i>Correa reflexa</i> #	Native Fuchsia	Oval leaves, red flowers tipped with yellow-green

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<i>Crowea exalata</i> #		Decorative shrub, star-like pink or white flowers
<i>Grevillea</i> 'Canberra Gem'		Slow growing shrub, red flowers winter to spring
<i>Grevillea</i> 'Copper Rocket'		Copper foliage, pink toothbrush flowers
<i>Grevillea</i> 'Poorinda Rondeau'		Hardy, compact shrub, red flowers winter/spring
<i>Grevillea</i> 'Victor Harbour'		Hardy, narrow leaf, profuse red flowers
<i>Grevillea</i> 'Winparra Gem'		Broad leaves, yellow flowers
<i>Grevillea victoriae</i>	Royal Grevillea	Grey-green leaves, rusty red flowers winter/spring
<i>Hakea dactyloides</i>	Broad-leaf Hakea	Broad, veined leaves, white flowers in clusters
<i>Hakea microcarpa</i>	Small-flowered Hakea	Needle-like leaves, small white flowers
<i>Isopogon anemonifolius</i>	Cone Bush	Fern-like foliage, yellow flower heads
<i>Kunzea parvifolia</i> #	Violet Kunzea	Rose pink terminal flowers
<i>Leptospermum flavescens</i>	Weeping Tea Tree	Upright shrub, white/yellow flowers
<i>Olearia phlogopappa</i> #	Daisy Bush	Hardy, grey leaves, blue/white/pink daisy flowers
<i>Petrophile pedunculata</i>	Stalked Conebush	Branched foliage, yellow flower heads
<i>Philotheca myoporoides</i>	Wax Flower	Profuse pink-white flowers in spring
<i>Prostanthera</i> 'Poorinda Ballerina'		Dark green foliage, profuse white flowers
<i>Prostanthera ovalifolia</i>	Common Mint Bush	Aromatic leaves, massed purple flowers in spring
<i>Pultenaea blakelyi</i>		Yellow/red flowers in spring
<i>Westringia fruticosa</i>	Native Rosemary	Compact, good for hedges, white/blue flowers
Ground covers		
<i>Grevillea</i> 'Bronze Rambler'		Bronze new growth, protect from frost in first year
<i>Grevillea diminuta</i>	Brindabella Grevillea	Neat shrub, round leaves, rusty red flowers in spring
<i>Grevillea juniperina</i> 'Molonglo'		Vigorous, spreading shrub, apricot flowers
<i>Grevillea juniperina</i>		Bright green prickly foliage, yellow spider flowers
<i>Grevillea lanigera</i>	Woolly Grevillea	Hairy leaves, clusters of red and cream flowers
<i>Grevillea</i> 'Poorinda Royal Mantle'		Coppery new growth, red toothbrush flowers
<i>Kunzea</i> 'Badja Carpet'		Small leaves, fluffy white flowers
<i>Myoporum parvifolium</i>	Creeping Boobialla	Dense ground cover, small white/mauve flowers
<i>Pultenaea microphylla</i> #	Spreading Pea Bush	Yellow/red flowers in spring
<i>Viola hederaceae</i>	Native Violet	Ivy shaped leaves, small purple and white flowers
Climbers		
<i>Clematis aristata</i>	Old Man's Beard	Vigorous climber, creamy white flowers in spring
<i>Hardenbergia violaceae</i> #	False Sarsaparilla	Green oval leaves, profuse purple flowers in spring
<i>Sollya heterophylla</i>	Bluebell Creeper	Dense foliage, blue, white or pink bell flowers
Small Plants, Accent Plants		
<i>Brachyloma daphnoides</i> #	Daphne Heath	Reliable in most soils and situations
<i>Brachyscome multifida</i> #	Cut-leaf Daisy	Blue, pink or white daisy flowers most of the year
<i>Derwentia arenaria</i>		Dainty perennial, upright stems of blue flowers
<i>Derwentia perfoliata</i> #	Digger's Speedwell	Grey-green foliage, terminal sprays of blue flowers
<i>Dianella caerulea</i>	Flax Lily	Flax-like leaves, blue flowers and blue berries
<i>Dillwynia retorta</i>	Bacon and Eggs	Abundant yellow and red pea flowers in spring
<i>Epacris impressa</i>	Common Heath	Pink or crimson tubular flowers autumn to spring
<i>Epacris longiflora</i>	Fuchsia Heath	Long red and white tubular flowers through year
<i>Joycea pallida</i> #	Red-anther Wallaby Grass	Tufting grass, feathery flower heads
<i>Juncus usitatus</i> #	Tussock Rush	Creek banks and ponds
<i>Lomandra longifolia</i> #	Spiny-headed Mat Rush	Very hardy, strap-like leaves
<i>Pultenaea retusa</i>		Yellow/red flowers in terminal heads
<i>Stylidium graminifolium</i> #	Trigger Plant	Grass-like leaves, pink flowers on erect stems
<i>Themeda australis</i> #	Kangaroo Grass	Attractive, rust coloured seed heads
<i>Viola betonicifolia</i> #	Native Violet	Oval leaves, violet-shaped flowers
<i>Wahlenbergia stricta</i> #	Tall Blue-bell	Blue bell flowers on tall wiry stems

Cultural notes: Buy tube stock or small plants whenever possible. They establish more easily than large plants and are cheaper. Keep new plants well watered until they are established. Mulch to control weeds, retain moisture and keep the plants' roots cool. Prune native plants after flowering.