

Selection of Native Plants for Cottage Gardens

The list of plants below are a selection of plants that grow in gardens around the Horsham District. The plants have been chosen to have a mature height of around one metre or less to fit the cottage garden style. Heights will vary with soil type.

On heavier soils such as in Horsham they will do better if the depth of the topsoil is increased. The addition of gypsum to heavy clay will also improve the heavier soils and a layer of sand over the top will help prevent drying out.

These plants will do better if not over-watered. If fertiliser is used it should contain little or no Phosphorus

Where Genus is underlined click to see photo.

Genus	Species	Height (m)	Width (m)	Flower Colour	Approximate Flowering Time
<i>Brachyscome</i>	<i>multifida</i>	0.2	0.6	Mauve, White & Pink	All Year
<i>Chrysocephalum</i>	<i>apiculatum</i>	0.5	1.5	Yellow	All Year
<i>Conostylis</i>	<i>bealiana</i>	0.2	0.3	Yellow to Orange	Winter
<i>Crowea</i>	<i>exalata</i>	1.1	1.0	Pink	Summer, Autumn
<i>Dampiera</i>	<i>diversifolia</i>	0.1	1.5	Purple blue	Spring
<i>Dampiera</i>	<i>purpurea</i>	1.3	1.3	Bluish purple	Spring
<i>Epacaris</i>	<i>longiflora</i>	1.0	1.5	Red & White	Most of year
<i>Grevillea</i>	<i>lanigera</i>	0.1	2.5	Reddish pink & cream	Autumn, Spring
<i>Guichenotia</i>	<i>sarotes</i>	0.7	1.0	Pinkish purple	Winter, Spring
<i>Hibbertia</i>	<i>stellaris</i>	0.5	0.5	Orange	Spring, Summer
<i>Hypocalymma</i>	<i>linifolium</i>	0.7	1.0	White to Yellow	Spring
<i>Lechenaultia</i>	<i>biloba</i>	0.7	0.6	Various	Winter, Summer
<i>Lechenaultia</i>	<i>formosa</i>	0.3	0.4	Various	Winter, Spring
<i>Melaleuca</i>	<i>trichophylla</i>	0.5	1.3	Pink to Pinkish Red	Spring, summer
<i>Ozothamnus</i>	<i>ledifolius</i>	1.1	1.4	White	Summer
<i>Prostanera</i>	<i>denticulata</i>	0.5	1.5	Deep Purple	Spring
<i>Verticordia</i>	<i>plumosa</i>	0.5	1.0	Pink	Spring
<i>Viola</i>	<i>hederacea</i>	0.1	0.2	Lilac to White	Spring, Summer