

Top 10 water saving plants

TREES



Coastal Banksia *banksia integrifolia*

- Upright bird attracting coastal species, grows 8 - 15m high with a 5m wide canopy
- Grows in full sun or dappled shade with natural rainfall of 450mm/yr or higher
- Flowers all year round with vivid yellow, bottle brush like flowers

Southern Cypress Pine *callitris preisii*

- Adelaide Plains formal native 7 – 10m high with a 2 - 3m wide canopy offering ample shelter for birds
- Grows in full sun or dappled shade, thrives with natural rainfall of 350mm/yr or higher
- Has insignificant flowering but has distinct spherical seed pods form annually after a few years growth



SHRUBS



Grevillea 'Poorinda Royal Mantle' *nursery cultivar*

- Cultivar groundcover grafted onto a 1 - 2m high Silky Oak stalk, with a 0.5 - 1m wide weeping canopy
- Grows in full sun with natural rainfall of 500mm/yr or higher, best to drip irrigate weekly in warmer months
- Has a lavish covering of vivid, reddish purple flowers from late winter to spring

White Correa *correa alba*

- Adelaide Plains bird attracting native 1.0 – 2.0m high with a 1.0 - 2m wide
- Grows in full sun or full shade, thrives on natural rainfall of 450mm/yr or higher
- Has white or pink bell-shaped flowers in summer and autumn



Ruby Saltbush *enchlyena tomentosa*

- Blue leaved Adelaide Plains native shrub 0.3 - 1m high with a 0.5 - 1.5m wide spreading habit
- Grows in full sun or dappled shade, thrives on natural rainfall of 300mm/yr or higher
- Insignificant flowering but has small edible purple, red, yellow or orange fruits each winter

GROUNDCOVERS



Scaevola 'Mauve Clusters' *nursery cultivar*

- Lush green-leaved groundcover 0.1 - 0.3m high with a 0.5 - 1.0m wide low spreading habit
- Grows in full sun and thrives on natural rainfall higher than 500mm/yr, drip irrigate weekly in warmer months
- Has thick covering of small mauve flowers and can flower all year round

Kidney Weed *dichondra repens*

- Lush green-leaved groundcover to 0.1m high with a 1 - 2m wide low spreading habit
- Grows in full sun, thrives on natural rainfall of 350mm/yr or higher, can be a lawn substitute
- Insignificant flowering through winter and spring months



CLIMBERS



Native Lilac *hardenbergia violacea sp.*

- Lush Adelaide Plains native 1.5 – 2m high with a 2 - 3m wide climbing viny habit
- Grows in full sun or dappled shade, thrives on natural rainfall of 400mm/yr or higher
- Has masses of either pink, deep purple or white flowers in winter and early spring

Snake Vine *hibbertia scandens*

- Has a climbing snake-like growth, can be grown as a low shrub or on a trellis
- Grows in full sun or dappled shade, thrives on natural rainfall of 500mm/yr or higher, drip irrigate weekly in warmer months
- Flowers yellow in the winter and spring months



RUSHES



Common Rush, Mat Rush *juncus usitatus*

- Riparian rush with upright, thick grass-like foliage 1m high with a 0.5m wide vertical spread
- Grows in full sun or dappled shade, thrives on natural rainfall of 500mm/yr or higher, can tolerate periods of dryness and/or wetland locations
- Flowers brown in the spring and summer months