



Anigozanthos species



Melia azedarach



Philotheca myoporoides



Grevillea rosmarinifolia nana



Melaleuca squarrosa



Leptospermum 'Daydream'



Banksia serrata



Hardenbergia violaceae 'Regent'



Callistemon citrinus



Plants for Sandy Soils

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This information is intended as a guide only.

While much effort has been spent in the research of plants, soil types, microclimates, etc. it is difficult to be totally accurate in species selection for a specific site.

It has been found that these species do well in the specified soil type but it is dependent upon location, frost, aspect, elevation etc.



Sandy Soils

Sandy soil is comprised of minuscule pieces of rock .05 to 2 mm in diameter and has a gritty texture to it.

This large particle size allows for good drainage and aeration of the soil. However, this also means that it may dry out quickly and much nutrient is lost through water leeching out. So many plants would require regular watering and fertilising, which can be time consuming, expensive, and unsustainable.

The best option is to choose plants that can survive in those conditions, and there are many Australian Native trees and shrubs which thrive in sandy soils.

Species such as Grevilleas, Acacias, Banksias, and many others are capable of creating their own nutrients and are perfect for low fertility sandy soils.



Grevillea rosmarinifolia



Banksia ericifolia



Grevillea juniperina
'Molonglo'



Melaleuca hypericifolia

Acacia binervata

Acacia decurrens

Acacia fimbriata

Acacia floribunda

Acacia longifolia

Acacia mearnsii

Acacia myrtifolia

Acacia obtusifolia

Acacia parramattensis

Acacia pravissima

Acacia rubida

Acacia suaveolens

Acacia terminalis

Acacia vestita

Actinotus helianthi

Allocasuarina littoralis

Angophora costata

Angophora floribunda

Anigozanthos spp

Baeckea virgata

Bauera rubioides

Banksia species

Boronia species

Brachychiton populneus

Bursaria spinosa

Callistemon species

Casuarina cunninghamiana

Casuarina glauca

Casuarina torulosa

Correa species

Corymbia maculata

Dianella species

Eucalyptus agglomerata

Eucalyptus dealbata

Eucalyptus globoidea

Eucalyptus gregsoniana

Eucalyptus macarthurii

Eucalyptus mannifera. s. *maculosa*

Eucalyptus piperita

Eucalyptus punctata

Eucalyptus rubida

Eucalyptus schlerophylla

Eucalyptus sieberi

Eucalyptus viminalis

Grevillea species

Hakea dactyloides

Hakea salicifolia

Hakea sericea

Hardenbergia violacea

Indigophera australis

Kunzea ambigua

Leptospermum species

Melaleuca species

Melia azedarach

Philotheca myoporoides

Thryptomene 'F.C. Payne'

Westringia species