



Top 10 trees to plant in Melbourne's west



large yards • medium yards • small yards

Help create a greener west

Join the One, Two, Tree campaign and plant a tree at your home, business or school. Together, we can increase canopy cover in Melbourne's west and create cooler, greener suburbs, with cleaner air and healthier communities. Start with our suggestions, but do your own research and speak with your local nursery.

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- How to plant a tree
- Trees that bring birds to your yard
- How trees keep us healthy

Yard size guide

Large - around 15m x 8m

Medium - around 7m x 4m

Small - around 2m x 2m

LARGE YARD

	NAME	ORIGIN	TYPE	FEATURES
1	Southern Magnolia <i>Magnolia grandiflora</i>			Large white flowers. Mature trees provide good shade.
2	Drooping Sheoak <i>Allocasuarina verticillata</i>			Drooping dark green branches. Open canopy lets light through.
3	White Spruce <i>Picea glauca</i>			Column shaped conifer.
4	Silver Banksia <i>Banksia marginata</i>			Large yellow flowers. Attracts native birds.
5	Southern Live Oak <i>Quercus virginiana</i>			Spreading canopy. Provides good shade.
6	White Cypress Pine <i>Callitris columellaris</i>			Small and thin tree. Small cones provide food for Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoos.
7	Tulip Tree <i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>			Tulip-like flowers in spring. Leaves turn yellow in autumn. Tall, thin tree.
8	Yellow Gum <i>Eucalyptus leucoxydon</i>			White, pink or red flowers. Spreading canopy. Attracts birds and wildlife.
9	Australian Red Cedar <i>Toona ciliata</i>			Large tree with spreading canopy that provides good shade.
10	Fruit trees (e.g orange, lemon, lime)			Edible fruit.

KEY

Origin:

- Native - from Australia
- Indigenous - from Victoria
- Exotic - from overseas

Type:

- Evergreen - always has leaves
- Deciduous - loses leaves around autumn



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MEDIUM YARD

	NAME	ORIGIN	TYPE	FEATURES
1	Flowering Gum (dwarf varieties) <i>Corymbia ficifolia</i>			Range of flower colours available. Attracts wildlife. Provides good shade.
2	Native Frangipani <i>Hymenosporum flavum</i>			Fragrant yellow flowers in spring. Slim tree, good for narrow spaces.
3	Willow Myrtle <i>Agonis flexuosa</i>			White flowers in spring. Drooping branches.
4	Golden Rain Tree <i>Koelreuteria paniculata</i>			Yellow flowers and pods.
5	Harkness Bottlebrush <i>Callistemon 'harkness'</i>			Red flowers in spring/summer. Attracts birds.
6	Australian Blackwood <i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>			Light yellow flowers. Attracts butterflies and birds.
7	Illawarra Flame Tree <i>Brachychiton acerifolius</i>		 	Red flowers in late spring/summer. Large tree. Provides good shade
8	Brush Muttonwood <i>Myrsine howittiana</i>			Inedible small blue fruit. Attracts birds.
9	Native Willow/Wilga <i>Geijera parviflora</i>			Small white flowers. Drooping branches.
10	Fruit trees (e.g orange, lemon, lime)	  	 	Edible fruit.

SMALL YARD

	NAME	ORIGIN	TYPE	FEATURES
1	Japanese Maple <i>Acer palmatum</i>			Star-shaped leaves can change colour with seasons.
2	Port Wine Magnolia <i>Magnolia figo</i>			Fragrant purple flowers in spring.
3	Weeping Bottlebrush (compact variety) <i>Callistemon viminalis</i> (compact variety)			Red flowers and drooping branches. Small, thin tree. Attracts birds.
4	Red Pokers <i>Hakea bucculenta</i>			Red flowers. Shrub or small tree. Attracts birds.
5	Grey Honey Myrtle <i>Melaleuca incana</i>			Creamy white flowers in spring. Attracts beneficial insects. Can be used as a hedge.
6	Dwarf Pomegranate (Dwarf) <i>Punica granatum</i>			Edible fruit. Yellow leaves in autumn. Can be used as a hedge.
7	Gully Grevillea <i>Grevillea barklyana</i>			Pink flowers in spring/summer. Shrub or small tree. Attracts birds.
8	Mulga <i>Acacia aneura</i>			Spreading canopy provides shade. Drought tolerant and long life span.
9	Lilly Pilly (compact variety) <i>Acmena smithii</i> (compact variety)			White flowers in summer. Edible berries good for jams and sauces.
10	Citrus trees (e.g orange, lemon, lime)			Edible fruit.

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