

Native Plants for Oberon Gardens

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

- Plant occurs naturally within the Oberon 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>Banksia integrifolia</i>	Coastal Banksia	Bird attracting flowers
<i>Eucalyptus blakelyi</i> #	Blakely's Red Gum	Mottled smooth bark, damp area in full sun
<i>Eucalyptus dalrympleana</i> #	Mountain Gum	
<i>Eucalyptus mannifera</i>	Brittle Gum	
<i>Eucalyptus pauciflora</i>	Snow Gum	Very ornamental with attractive bark
<i>Eucalyptus rossii</i> #	Inland Scribbly Gum	Attractive smooth bark with scribbles, poor soils
Small trees / large shrubs (5 to 10m tall)		
<i>Acacia dealbata</i> #	Silver Wattle	Grey-green ferny leaves, yellow flowers, suckers
<i>Acacia floribunda</i>	Sally Wattle	Bushy small tree, sprays of cream flowers in spring
<i>Banksia marginata</i> #	Silver Banksia	Bird attracting, yellow flower spikes spring-autumn
<i>Eucalyptus parvifolia</i>	Small-leaved Gum	Bushy foliage
<i>Eucalyptus scoparia</i>	Wallangara White Gum	Ornamental with yellow/white bark
<i>Eucalyptus stellulata</i> #	Black Sallee	Hardy in cold, moist areas
<i>Eucalyptus stricta</i> #	Blue Mountains Mallee	Smooth bark with scribbles, shed in long strips
Medium shrubs (2 to 5m tall)		
<i>Acacia boormanii</i>	Snowy River Wattle	Round shrub, profuse golden flowers in spring
<i>Acacia buxifolia</i>	Box-leaved Wattle	
<i>Acacia convenyi</i>	Blue Bush	Attractive blue foliage, golden yellow flowers
<i>Acacia lanigera</i> #	Woolly Wattle	Hardy, tolerate dry, yellow flowers in late winter
<i>Acacia pravissima</i>	Ovens Wattle	Triangular foliage, yellow flowers in spring
<i>Acacia rubida</i>	Red-stemmed Wattle	Bushy shrub, reddish branches
<i>Acacia terminalis</i> #	Sunshine Wattle	Attractive, well shaped, needs some protection
<i>Acacia verniciflua</i> #	Varnish Wattle	Hardy, sticky foliage, suits poor sites
<i>Banksia ericifolia</i> #	Heath Banksia	Bird attracting flower spikes in autumn and winter
<i>Banksia spinulosa</i>	Hairpin Banksia	Round, compact shrub, yellow/orange flower spikes
<i>Bursaria spinosa</i> #	Australian Blackthorn	Habitat value, white flowers, full sun
<i>Callistemon citrinus</i>	Red Bottlebrush	Hardy shrub, red brushes late spring, autumn
<i>Callistemon pallidus</i> #	Lemon Bottlebrush	Creamy yellow flowers spring and summer
<i>Callistemon ptyoides</i>	River Bottlebrush	Grey/green leaves, cream brushes
<i>Callistemon sieberi</i>	Alpine Bottlebrush	
<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i> #	Hop Bush	Attractive seed pods
<i>Grevillea rosmarinifolia</i>	Rosemary Grevillea	Hardy and reliable, bird attracting
<i>Hakea sericea</i> #	Silky Hakea	Pink or white flowers, prickly needle-like leaves
<i>Leptospermum lanigerum</i>	Woolly Tea-tree	Erect or sometimes weeping shrub, white flowers
<i>Leptospermum obovatum</i>	River Tea-tree	Slightly drooping habit, white flowers
<i>Leptospermum scoparium</i>	Pink Tea-tree	Many hybrid forms available
<i>Lomatia myricoides</i> #	River Lomatia	Hardy, showy, adaptable
<i>Melaleuca decussata</i>	Cross-leaf Honey Myrtle	Grey-green foliage, small mauve bottlebrush flowers
Small shrubs (0.5 to 2m tall)		
<i>Acacia decora</i>	Graceful Wattle	Hardy, dense, rounded shrub
<i>Babingtonia virgata</i>	Twiggy Heath Myrtle	Spreading shrub, small white flowers
<i>Bauera rubioides</i>	River rose	Pink flowers most of year, likes moist dappled shade
<i>Calytrix alpestris</i>		Heath-like leaves, white star-like flowers
<i>Calytrix tetragona</i> #	Fringe Myrtle	Fine aromatic foliage, white or pink flowers
<i>Correa 'Dusky Bells'</i>		Reliable low shrub, pink flowers for long period
<i>Correa alba</i>	White Correa	Round leaves, white starry flowers for long period

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<i>Correa decumbens</i>		Dull green leaves, red flowers in winter
<i>Correa glabra</i>	Rock Correa	Shiny foliage, lime green flowers for long period
<i>Correa pulchella</i>		Orange/pink bell flowers in winter
<i>Correa reflexa</i>	Common Correa	Variable. Oval leaves, red flowers tipped greenish
<i>Crowea exalata</i>		Hardy, decorative shrub, star-like pink flowers
<i>Daviesia latifolia</i> #	Bitter pea	Orange/red pea flowers, short lived
<i>Gompholobium latifolium</i> #	Golden Glory Pea	Showy yellow pea flowers in spring
<i>Grevillea</i> 'Canberra Gem'		Dense prickly shrub, red flowers winter to spring
<i>Grevillea diminuta</i>	Brindabella Grevillea	Neat shrub, small round leaves, rusty flowers spring
<i>Grevillea lanigera</i>	Woolly Grevillea	Various forms, grey foliage, red flowers
<i>Grevillea victoriae</i>	Royal Grevillea	Grey-green leaves, rusty red flowers winter-spring
<i>Hakea microcarpa</i>	Small-flowered Hakea	Needle-like leaves, small white flowers
<i>Indigofera australis</i> #	Australian Indigo	Pretty pink/purple pea flowers, understory plant
<i>Isopogon anemonifolius</i>	Broad-leaf Drumsticks	Fern-like foliage, yellow flowers followed by cones
<i>Kunzea parvifolia</i>	Small-leaved Kunzea	Rosy pink terminal flowers
<i>Olearia phlogopappa</i> #	Daisy Bush	Hardy, grey leaves, blue/white daisy flowers spring
<i>Petrophile canescens</i> #	Conesticks	Creamy yellow flowers followed by terminal cones
<i>Phebalium squamulosum</i>		Cream to yellow flowers, likes cool root run
<i>Philotheca myoporoides</i>	Wax flower	Various forms, pink/white starry flowers in spring
<i>Prostanthera ovalifolia</i>	Purple Mint Bush	Aromatic foliage, profuse purple flowers in spring
<i>Westringia fruticosa</i>		Grey foliage, good hedge plant
Ground covers		
<i>Brachysome multifida</i>	Swan River Daisy	Blue, pink, white or yellow flowers most of the year
<i>Grevillea</i> 'Bronze Rambler'		Bronze-red new growth, protect from frost first year
<i>Grevillea</i> 'Poorinda Royal Mantle'		Vigorous groundcover, red toothbrush flowers
<i>Grevillea juniperina</i>	Juniper Grevillea	Prickly, fine leaf, red, yellow or apricot flowers
<i>Grevillea x gaudichaudi</i>		Vigorous groundcover, red flowers
<i>Kunzea</i> 'Badja Carpet'		Small white flowers, attracts butterflies
<i>Myoporum parvifolium</i>	Creeping Boobiella	Hardy, dense groundcover, white/mauve flowers
<i>Pultenaea microphylla</i> #		Yellow/red pea flowers in spring
Climbers		
<i>Billardiera scandens</i>	Apple Dumpling	Climber or groundcover, cream flowers, edible fruit
<i>Clematis aristata</i>	Old Man's Beard	Creamy white flowers in spring, fluffy seed pods
<i>Hardenbergia violacea</i> #	False Sarsaparilla	Climber or groundcover, purple pea flowers
<i>Sollya heterophylla</i>	Blue-bell Creeper	Dense foliage, blue or white bell flowers in spring
Small Plants, Accent Plants		
<i>Bossiaea buxifolia</i> #	Matted Bossiaea	Tolerates poor soils, ideal for rockery
<i>Bulbine bulbosa</i> #	Bulbine Lily	Spikes of yellow flowers in spring
<i>Celmisia asteliifolia</i> #	Snow Daisy	Moist position in sun or part shade
<i>Chrysocephalum semipapposum</i> #	Clustered Everlasting	Upright stems with yellow button daisy flowers
<i>Cryptandra spinescens</i> #	Snowdust	Small white flowers over long period, moist shade
<i>Derwentia perfoliata</i>	Diggers Speedwell	Beautiful foliage and blue flowers in spring
<i>Dianella caerulea</i>	Flax Lily	Blue flowers followed by blue/purple berries
<i>Hibbertia obtusifolia</i> #	Guinea Flower	Yellow flowers, good rockery plant for dry soils
<i>Juncus usitatus</i> #	Tussock Rush	Moist areas
<i>Lomandra longifolia</i>	Spiny-headed Mat Rush	Vary hardy, strap-like leaves
<i>Pimelea linifolia</i> #	Slender Rice Flower	Terminal heads of white flowers most of the year
<i>Poa sieberiana</i> #	Tussock Grass	Robust grass with mauve flower heads
<i>Stylidium graminifolium</i> #	Grass-leaved Trigger Plant	Dainty spires of pink flowers
<i>Themeda triandra</i> #	Kangaroo Grass	Attractive, rust coloured seed heads
<i>Viola betonicifolia</i> #	Native Violet	Oval leaves, mauve violet flowers
<i>Viola hederaceae</i>	Native Violet	Ivy shaped leaves, small purple and white flowers
<i>Wahlenbergia sp</i> #	Native Bluebells	Dainty blue flowers over a long period

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.