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Bower Spinach
Tetra implexicoma

Semi-succulent shrub that grows spindly. Flowers in spring and summer.



Coast Beard Heath
Leucopogon parviflorus

Slow growing shrub growing up to 4m high. Produce berries in summer.



Coast Bonefruit
Threlkeldia difusa

Succulent ground cover. Responds to both sun and shade environments.



Coast Daisy-bush
Olearia axillaris

Rapid growing shrub growing up to 2m high. Highly tolerant of salt winds.



Coast Flax-lily
Dianella brevicaulis

Soft-tufted plant growing approx 50cm high. Requires well drained sandy soil.



Coast Pomaderris
Pomaderris paniculosa ssp. Paralia

Dense shrub making ideal hedging plants. Strongly dislikes water-logging.



Coast Saltbush
Atriplex cinerea

Densely spreading shrub branching up to 2m high. Males produce red flowers, Females produce cream flowers.



Coast Tussock-grass
Poa poiformis var.poiformis

Low growing, dense tuft that likes to be exposed to moist, coastal winds. Great for driveways.



Coast Twinleaf
Roepera billardierei

Scrambling plant that enjoys both exposed and sheltered environments. Is a threatened species.



Coast Wirilda
Acacia uncifolia

Bushy small to medium tree reaching up to 10m high. Is a threatened species.



Common Boobialla
Myoporum insulare

Varies in growth from low growing shrub to a wide round tree reaching up to 7m.



Dune Groundsel
Senecio pinnatifolius var. lanceolatus

Grows in all environments and produces bright yellow ‘daisy’ in spring and summer.

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Karkalla
Carpobrotus rossii

Tolerates harsh conditions and produces flowers from late winter to mid summer.



Kidney-weed
Dichondra repens

Small ground covering adaptable to many climates. Rapidly growing grass substitute.



Knobby Club-rush
Ficinia nodosa

Sedge growing to 1m. Prefers growing in moist environments. Great for narrow spots/driveways.



Marsh Saltbush
Atriplex paludosa ssp. Paludosa

Open sprawling shrub growing 1m high and 2m wide. Listed as a rare plant in Victoria.



Moonah
Melaleuca lanceolata

Form ranges from low growing shrub <1m high to a wide tree up to 20m in height.



Prickly spear-grass
Austrostipa stipoides

Hardy plant reaching up to 0.8m high and 1m wide.



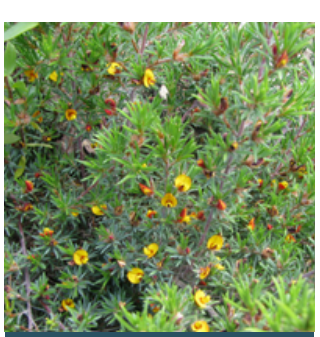
Rounded noon-flower
Disphyma crassifolium ssp. Clavellatum

Succulent ground cover favouring semi-saline conditions. Thrives in damp, heavy soils. Great in pots.



Seaberry Saltbush
Rhagodia candolleana ssp. Candolleana

Dense, scrambling shrub that grows in low soil moisture and shade.



Slender bush-pea
Pultenaea tenuifolia

Low growing, mat forming species growing to 20cm high.



Small-leaved Clematis
Clematis microphylla

Grows as a vigorous, woody climber up to 15m high in shady environments.



Sticky Daisy-bush
Olearia glutinosa

Bushy shrub reaching up to 2m high and 2.5m wide. Hardy plant useful for pollinators and birds.



White Correa
Correa alba

Hardy plant that requires well drained soils. Easy to maintain in the garden as a hedge or shrub.