

Information Sheet: Screening & Hedging

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Wirreanda Nursery has an excellent range of hedging and screening plants including larger pot sizes for instant screening in your garden and providing privacy from your neighbours. In addition to our large selection of the popular Lilly Pilly, below is a selection of popular and reliable screening plants.

Murraya paniculata: Commonly called Orange Jasmine, Murraya is a tropical dense rounded evergreen shrub bearing white highly scented flowers in summer. Attractive dark green foliage responds well to clipping and shaping and can be clipped to form a 1 metre hedge or can be allowed to grow to approximately 3 metres. Murrayas grow well in Sydney, Perth and areas north.

Elaeocarpus reticulatus Prima Donna: Commonly called Blueberry Ash, this is a small native rainforest tree noted for its new red growth and dense blue green foliage. It bears masses of pale pink ballerina skirt like flowers in spring and summer followed by shiny blue fruit. It is classified as a small tree 4-8 metres in height and is columnar in growth. Blueberry Ash performs well in a wide range of conditions. The original white flowering form is usually taller and can be found growing from Fraser Island to Tasmania.

Elaeocarpus Eumundi: The Eumundi Quandong is a small native rainforest tree with attractive bronzy maroon new growth and broad shiny green leaves which grow in a columnar shape from 4-8 metres. During late spring to early summer the tree bears clusters of sweetly scented cream flowers.

Photinia glabra rubens: Red Leaf/Small Leaf Photinia is a long lived hardy evergreen large shrub which is very popular, especially in cooler climates, as a colourful privacy hedge. **Photinia Red Robin** is also a fast growing species with larger green leaves - both can be maintained to desired height up to 3 metres and responds to bi-annual pruning.

Metrosideros thomasii: Commonly called New Zealand Christmas Bush, this is a hardy small tree (up to 5 metres) that is a dense bun shape when young, aging to a medium domed tree with a conical crown. Dark green/grey oval shaped leaves appear in opposites along the stems and spectacular crimson pom-pom flowers adorn the plant through spring and summer. All Metrosideros are tolerant of salt laden, gusty winds and are ideal for coastal areas in particular.

Viburnum odoratissimum: Sweet Viburnum is a fast growing evergreen shrub with clusters of small white fragrant flowers in spring. Its dense foliage is ideal for hedging/screening and can be pruned to shape. Viburnum Emerald Lustre is known for its lustrous dark green foliage and Viburnum tinus is an extremely hardy old fashioned screening shrub which throws pink buds which turn into white blooms late winter/early spring.

There are many other species in our nursery that may be used as a low/medium or taller screen, both native and exotic. Please speak to our qualified staff regarding the many other alternatives available for a variety of situations to suit your needs and requirements.