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Indigenous plants suitable for coastal gardens at Venus Bay and South Gippsland

Indigenous plant species are those that have adapted through natural processes to an area's soil, climate and topography over thousands of years, together with the native fauna. Because of this they are ideally suited for planting in the local environment.

Benefits of planting local species:

- They provide habitat, corridors, food and protection for local birds and animals.
- They enhance the aesthetics of the area as they 'belong' to the local environment.
- They require less water and maintenance and have a high survival rate as they are adapted to the local conditions.

Indigenous species list for Venus Bay gardens

Common Name	Botanical Name	Size
Trees		
Coast Manna Gum	<i>Eucalyptus viminalis</i> ssp. <i>pryoriana</i>	8-16 m x 5-12 m
Coast Banksia	<i>Banksia integrifolia</i>	10-20 m x 5-10 m
Coast Sheoak	<i>Allocasuarina verticillata</i>	4-11 m x 3-6 m
Large Shrubs		
Swamp Paperbark	<i>Melaleuca ericifolia</i>	4-9 m x 2-6 m
Coast Sheoak	<i>Allocasuarina verticillata</i>	4-11 m x 3-6 m
Sweet Bursaria	<i>Bursaria spinosa</i>	2-6 m x 2-3 m
Coast Beard-heath	<i>Leucopogon parviflorus</i>	1-4 m x 2-3 m
Coast Wattle	<i>Acacia longifolia</i> ssp. <i>sophorae</i>	1-5 m x 4-15 m
Boobialla	<i>Myoporum insulare</i>	1-6 m x 3 m
Small Shrubs		
Cushion Bush	<i>Leucophyta brownii</i>	0.2-1 m x 0.5-2 m
Silky Guinea-flower	<i>Hibbertia sericea</i>	0.3-1 m x 0.6 m
White Correa	<i>Correa alba</i>	0.5-2 m x 1-3 m
Seaberry Saltbush	<i>Rhagodia candolleana</i> ssp. <i>candolleana</i>	1.5-4 m x 1-2.5 m
Coast Daisy-bush	<i>Olearia axillaris</i>	1-2 m x 1-2 m
Dusky Daisy-bush	<i>Olearia phlogopappa</i>	1-3 m x 1-2 m
Creepers and Climbers		
Running Postman	<i>Kennedia prostrata</i>	Prostrate to 2.5 m
Bower Spinach	<i>Tetragonia implexicoma</i>	0.5m to 2-5 m
Small-leaved Clematis	<i>Clematis microphylla</i>	To 5 m high
Grasses Sedges and herbs		
Spiny-headed Mat-rush	<i>Lomandra longifolia</i>	
Poa labillardierei/Poa poiformis	<i>Tussock Grass</i>	
Kangaroo Grass	<i>Themeda triandra</i>	
Knobby Club-sedge	<i>Ficinia nodosa</i>	
Wallaby Grasses	<i>Rytidosperma</i> spp.	
Coastal Flax-lily	<i>Dianella revoluta</i> (Coastal)	
Pelargonium australe	<i>Austral Stork's-bill</i>	

Downloadable PDFs are available on the Flora Page of the FVBP Website for each of these plants.