



Welcome



Alec and I visited the Kimberley in August, and enjoyed the warm sun and dramatic scenery. We came home to an early spring and were stunned by the contrast. What an amazing environment we live in! The wildflowers and tall trees of our local forest are breathtaking.

Silver Princess, our cute feather foot bantam hatched out 8 beautiful chicks. They are now in feather, so come visit soon before they are all grown up!

See their early antics on Facebook.

Imagine our surprise to find a nest of baby birds in the large Wollemi. We have watched the baby New Holland honey-eaters grow up and flutter around the nursery atrium.



Spring has been productive in the Zanthorrea gardens. The nursery is looking amazing and well worth a visit. Ross and the team worked hard while Alec and I relaxed in the sun. We are so lucky to have such a fantastic team. Happy gardening!

Jackie, Alec, Ross and the team at Zanthorrea Nursery.

Whats On

Kings Park wildflower show

September is Kings Park Wildflower Festival month. There are activities for young and old, and everyone in between. Just driving through the park is awe-inspiring, on foot, even better. Information about the festival may be found on their website. Don't miss it!

<http://www.bgpa.wa.gov.au/festival>



Win a classic Yates Bicycle!

Win your own red road bicycle, valued at over \$500.

Spend \$15 in a single transaction on a Yates product and go in the draw to win this gorgeous bike. Alec says please don't enter and he may get to keep it. (We don't think so Alec!)

PS Happy Birthday Yates, celebrating 125 years in Australia!

Creative Gardeners!

Send in your photo of how you have been creative in your garden and for the first 20 entries we will send a \$10 gift voucher to say thanks. Entries will be displayed on the Zanthorrea Facebook page and on the wall of our gift shop.

Either email entries to info@zanthorrea.com or drop them in at the nursery. Please include your name and contact details.



Spring Talks

Wildflower walk

Join Jackie and Alec for a wildflower walk in Jorgensen Park. Although not too strenuous, the walk may take about 1 hour. Sturdy shoes recommended. Harry says, well behaved dogs allowed!

Saturday 6th October

Meet at Zanthorrea at 9.30am for car pooling, or at Jorgensen carpark at 9.45am.

Tea and scones at Zanthorrea after the walk. \$4, proceeds to Kanyana. RSVP essential 945456260.



Hardenbergia comptoniana

Plant clinic

It's fun to work out what is wrong with our plants. Join Jackie for a talk on plant pest, diseases and deficiencies. Bring any problems in a plastic bag to discuss what may be wrong and possible remedies.

Saturday 10th November, 10am

RSVP 94546260

Walk the Zig Zag

On Sunday the **7th of October** is a free community event put on by the Shire of Kalamunda, *Walk the Zig Zag*. The Zig Zag is home to a great many wildflowers and now is the best time to see them.

Buses depart from Stirk Park from 9am until 12:30pm.

Please Note: No cars or dogs on the Zig Zag will be permitted for this event. www.kalamunda.wa.gov.au



Time to Plant

Tomato Season!

What's not to love about tomatoes? They're delicious, beautiful and so good for you! They're loaded with all kinds of health benefits. Tomatoes contain Lycopene which is a vital anti-oxidant that helps fight against cancers as well as other kinds of health complications and diseases. Interestingly, cooking tomatoes makes the Lycopene more available as does adding oil. They're all round pretty amazing!



Once again we have Heirloom Farm's tomatoes this season. Although heirloom tomatoes come in all colours of the rainbow, if you would like to try some interesting red or orange varieties, why not try 'Jaune Flammee', 'Orange Cherry', 'Tigerella', 'Periforme' or 'Nebraska Wedding'. - Alix

Sturt Desert Peas

As soon as the weather warms up it is time to plant Sturt Desert peas.

The best way to plant these incredible wildflowers is to soak in hot water overnight and place 3 seeds into a raised mound of soil.



Photo courtesy of Mike Logan

Herbs for Kitchen and garden

Herbs are a wonderful addition to any garden. Most are perfect for pots, and many are drought hardy. There are herbs to complement your cooking and herbs to repel insects in the garden. There are herbs to add fragrance to the garden and even herbs to use as a lawn substitute.

Herbs for pots: Mint, parsley, basil, coriander, chives, dill. Mix and match 2 or 3 varieties in a large pot. (Mint is best in its own pot!)



Drought hardy herbs: oregano, rosemary, marjoram, sage.

Herbs to cook with: coriander, basil, Italian parsley, tarragon.

Lawn substitute: lippia, chamomile flowering lawn, prostrate thyme,

Fragrant herbs for the cottage garden: Orange peel thyme, creeping bergamot, rosemary



Unusual herbs to tempt:

Brahmi: Studies have found brahmi to be a brain tonic that improves memory recall and learning ability.

French tarragon: Hard to find, this popular herb is currently in stock. French tarragon is an important ingredient in bernaise and hollandaise sauce., and fantastic with fish, chicken & cheese dishes.

Check out the great range of fresh herbs at Zanthorrea. - Jackie \$4.45 each, or 5 for \$20.

Plant Care

Liquid copper fungicide

A broad spectrum fungicide for control of a wide range of diseases on fruit, vegetables and ornamentals including leaf spot and downy mildew. Only one day withholding period!



Yates Commemorative Seed Tin

To celebrate their 125 birthday, Yates have released an awesome vintage seed tin. It contains 12 packets of original Yates seed varieties. \$24.95



Velcro Plant Ties

A 9m roll you can cut to any size. Strong, adjustable, self gripping and re-usable \$12.95



Eco-Grub and Eco-Ant

Both these Eco solutions contain eucalyptus oil and tea tree oil. The Eco-Grub is a 3 in 1 spray for lawns and gardens with an organic insecticide, fertiliser and wetting agent. Available in a 1lt concentrate for \$14.95 or a 2 litre hose on for \$25.95. Eco-Ant is for the control of ants, slaters, earwigs and leaf hoppers. \$10.95. -Muriel



Waterwise Gardening

Tips for a Waterwise Garden

Winter 2012 was the fourth driest winter on record. Saving water around the house and garden is now more than ever a priority.



Here are a few simple things we can do in our garden to save water.

- * Group plants according to their water needs.
- * Choose waterwise native plants, especially local species.
- * Prepare the soil before planting to retain water around the plant's roots.
- * Install an efficient, flexible watering system, and adjust the timer according to the season and weather conditions.
- * Mulch your garden. This can reduce loss by evaporation by as much as 70%. Choose a mulch with large and irregular particles.
- * Use an organic soil wetter to ensure water penetration, especially in lawn areas.

Pick up a booklet from the nursery on "Water saving ideas", or go online to www.watercorporation.com.au/W/waterwise_tips.cfm. -Jackie



Eremophila nivea

Grevillea thelemaniana

An oldie but a goldie, Grevillea thelemaniana is a tough drought hardy plant growing to about 1m. They are easily hedged, long living and will provide your birds with sweet nectar from the abundance of flowers July to September. - Ross



Chamelaucium Hybrids

Bunches of Geraldton wax are perfect to brighten up the house, long lasting and colourful. These favourites are fast growing and definitely waterwise. - Janine



Ricinocarpus tuberculatis

Wedding bush is one of my favourites, with its lovely lightly fragrant floral show. An excellent quick and dense screen, it grows well in sun or shade. - Diana



Hibbertia hypericoides

Jorgensen Park Walk

There are many walks through the hills of Perth and one of my favourites is the Jorgensen Park loop. What was once a golf course, is now occupied by dog friendly walkers. There are many wildflowers that can be seen in spring, and the walk can be combined with the Helena Pipehead, rocky pool and Schipp Road walks if you like it a little longer.



Patersonia occidentalis

For maps and information about many walks around Perth visit:

www.perthtrails.com.au



Landscape Calendar 2013

The Landscape calendar for 2013 is out now and full of amazing photos of Western Australia. Comes with an envelope that makes it a great gift to send overseas!



Giftware

Nicola Cerini Designs

A new range for the kitchen inspired by the garden! Nicola Cerini's beautiful designs change seasonally, at the moment we have 100% linen tea towels, 100% cotton aprons, not to mention pot holders, oven mitts and even an ironing board cover! Waratah and Banksia prints available in natural or black.

Prices start at \$12.95.



Eucalyptus and Christmas Beetle

Linex Press have released a new design that has proven to be very popular already. Beautiful Australian certified organic cotton with a Eucalyptus and Christmas Beetle design. Perfect for Christmas gifts to family overseas!



Tea towels \$11.95, purse \$8.45, pot holder \$7.95, tote bag \$24.95, single mitt \$11.95, double mitt \$19.95, apron \$24.95.

Doormat Designs

A new range featuring thick quality doormats, herb pots and holders, circular and rectangular iron test tube stands (perfect for single stem arrangements) and a gorgeous rustic twine on spool with scissors.



Brighten up Spring!

Gorgeous brightly coloured designs on watering cans, cushions, tins and cannisters! Some featuring owls, for the owl lovers out there! Prices start at \$9.95. Also a new range of ceramic pots and birds Pots \$25.95, Birds \$6.95.



Australian-made from Buttonworks

New from Buttonworks is the cute Aussie landscape ornaments, puzzles, brooches and magnets. These are Australian made souvenirs perfect for taking or sending overseas!!

Large Aussie landscape \$54.95
Mini Aussie landscape \$29.95



Buttonworks Aussie Landscapes

Tropicana, from Anna Chandler.

You'll never get lost in the garden with these!

Hats \$17.95, kneeler \$13.95, garden carry bag \$22.95



Wild about the Natives

- photos and text by Beth Baker



"Come spring, not far from my back door, a diverse and fragile world of flora and fauna comes to life" says Glen Forrest local Beth Baker. This wonderful book was created by Beth as a photographic diary and as a tribute to our fabulous flora.

Share this book with your friends and family. RRP \$64.95



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