



Welcome



Wild winter rain has prepared the way for winter planting. The selection of Australian native plants at Zanthorrea is sure to tempt. Check out whats new from our NIASA accredited growing area.

The nursery display gardens are receiving a make-over and the everlasting seeds are popping up promising an amazing show come spring.

Happy gardening from the team!

News from the team

You may have missed Diana's smiling face. Diana has been at Zanthorrea 10 years, and is taking long service leave visiting her folks in England. We received a postcard from Kew Gardens that is now a riot of summer colour.



Paula

Welcome to new team member Paula. A keen gardener, Paula is studying horticulture at TAFE and has had several years experience as a garden centre assistant.

Tree Day!

Planet Ark's National Tree Day

July 29 is National Tree Day, where we celebrate the beauty of trees, and their vital role in providing animals with habitat.

Join us for talks on wildlife and trees with Eric McCrum and Joe Tonga

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Gold coin donation to Kanyana.

10am -My Home is in a Tree part 1

Naturalist, Eric McCrum

There are many creatures that depend on trees for food and shelter, from the rare and endangered Carnaby's Cockatoo to the tiniest aphid-eating ladybird. You will be amazed to learn how much life there is in any one tree.



11am -My Home is in a Tree part 2

Joe Tonga, Nesting Boxes

"My hobby of making nesting boxes began when my partner and I, moved to our home in a street with some big trees. I made a box from pickets and put it in a tree in our garden. Amazingly, a southern boobook owl was soon raising babies in it. Eager for more bird action, I improved my bird box design and produced different sizes for different birds."

After the talks join Eric and Joe for warming homemade soup in a cup and bread. \$4. Proceeds to Kanyana.

Whats on!

Planning your New Garden

With Sue Torlach, Dip. Hort.

(Wild about Gardens.)

Saturday 30th June, 10am

Whether you have a brand new garden to plant up or an existing one to renovate, planning is the key to success. Join award winning garden designer, Sue Torlach, for a talk on what you can do to transform your patch into a fabulous native oasis. Numbers are limited, call now to secure your place.

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Tree tip: If you have space, plant a grove of several of the same species to create a naturalistic effect. -Sue Torlach

Kanyana Plant of the Month

Eucalyptus victrix (Coolabah)

Wonderful white trunks with creamy flowers, and branches for perching birds, *Eucalyptus victrix* is the perfect plant to be Kanyana's 'Plant of the Month'. A small gentle tree that is slow growing, the coolabah suits most home gardens.

\$1 from the sale of each coolabah is donated to Kanyana Wildlife Centre.



Eucalyptus victrix

For information about Kanyana, go to: www.kanyana.org.au



Stay warm this winter

Asian Style Winter Soup

Ingredients:

- 2 Free range chicken thighs sliced into strips.
- 1 tsp grated ginger.
- 2 cloves of finely chopped garlic.
- 3 spring onions.
- 1 tsp of salt reduced chicken or vege stock.
- 1.5 tbs soy sauce.
- 1 tbs of lime juice.
- 4 Cups of chopped mixed winter vegetables. (Any of these: bokchoi, pakchoi, tatsoi, kale, broccoli, snowpeas)
- 1 tbs of fresh chopped coriander to garnish.
- Add chilli if you like it hot!



Saute chicken, garlic, spring onion, ginger and chilli until chicken is almost cooked. Add stock and bring to the boil. Stir in soy sauce and lime juice. Drop the chopped veges into the soup and bring back to the boil. Cook for a couple of minutes and serve topped with fresh coriander.

-Samara



Winter Vegetables

The seasonal vegetable seedlings are looking great and will provide you with a garden full of yummy greens and root veges. So it is time to top up the patch with veges like peas, broad beans, celery, cabbage, kale, onions, spinach and silverbeet to name a few. Fill in the gaps with clusters of beetroot and quick growing radishes. Lettuce grows extremely well over the cooler weather, if grown in a frost free position.



Keep an eye out for the delicious and interesting heirloom varieties from Heirloom Farm. Why not try Silverbeet 'Lucullus', Kale 'Red Russian', Cabbage 'Red Drumhead', Celery 'Tall Utah' or any number of beautiful Heirloom lettuces. -Alix

Spuds

If you haven't got your spuds in yet there is still time! We have lots of varieties in at the moment, such as Nicola, Kipfler, Norland, Delaware and Dutch Cream. A potato for every occasion!



Availability can change weekly, so give us a call to confirm the variety you are chasing.

Growing spuds in a planter bag

The 45L planter bag is good for growing 3 potato bushes in. Start with the side of the bag rolled down and only 1/3 filled with vege potting mix, place the 3 spuds on top of the soil then add a 10cm layer of lupin mulch or pea straw. As the plant grows, keep layering lupin mulch or pea straw to fill the bag and you will find potato tubers all the way up the stem. Harvest by emptying the bag and sieving through the soil that can then be used back on the vege patch in spring.

-Ross

"Gardening is cheaper than therapy, and it gives you potatoes!"

Soil Amendments

The new Eco-flo range from Organic Crop Protectants has soil amendments in a liquid form that is easy to apply and the active ingredients are more readily available.



The range includes:

Eco-flo gypsum

Helps break up compacted clay soils and improves drainage.

Corrects high sodium soils from grey water use and saltwater splash.

Eco-flo lime

Treats acid soils and provides calcium for healthy plants.

Eco-flo dolomite

Treats acid soils and provides magnesium and calcium for healthier plants.



Into the garden

Beauties from our growing area



Eucalyptus sideroxylon 'Rosea'

(Iron bark)

A beautiful medium sized tree with a slightly weeping habit, which develops an attractive chocolate brown to black bark over time. The blue/grey foliage and bright pink flowers contrast well with the dark trunk. A highly ornamental specimen.



Ozothamnus 'Radiance'

(Rice flower)

A popular medium shrub to 2m high with a prolific show of white flowers year round. Best in heavier or improved soil and is brilliant for long lasting cut flowers. Prune little and often for a bushy attractive plant.



Prostanthera ovalifolia

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(Native mint bush)

This medium sized aromatic shrub is a great option for dappled shade under trees or as a shady pot plant on the patio. They have pretty purple flowers from winter to spring and are available in green leaved or a golden variegated form.



Westringia longifolia

An attractive form of native rosemary with delicate green foliage offset by showy clean white flowers which appear sporadically throughout the year. Grows to approx 1.5m and does well in a part shade position. Looks best when pruned fairly regularly to shape.



Acacia 'Spring Time Cascade'

This prostrate form of Acacia saligna is an absolute winner. It provides a fast cover to 3m with large yellow flower clusters in late winter. Hardy in sun or shade, drought or frost, a must for any garden.

-Lauren

"Gardening is a way of showing that you believe in tomorrow." -Anonymous

Verge plantings

The verge can often be a forgotten part of the garden, but I think it has tremendous importance as it is the first part of the garden to greet you when you arrive home. As most verge gardens are without reticulation, now is the best time to plant so that they are watered in and established before summer hits.



Lomandra 'Tanika'

Choosing the right plants is the key to a successful verge. I like to mix low growing ground covers like Myoporum parvifolium, prostrate Eremophilas or Grevilleas with some strappy leaf plants like Dianella or Lomandra. Then add small mallees (Eucalyptus forrestiana or pressiana) or underpruned Grevilleas (G. 'Sandra Gordon', G. 'Pink Surprise') to add a bit of vertical impact without getting to the power lines!



Grevillea 'Sandra Gordon'

TIP: For the best looking verge, I would recommend watering your plants once a week for the first summer and go out and give your garden a prune and feed once a year. -Ross



New to the Shop

Urban composter bins

New anaerobic compost bins for the kitchen or pantry, lids that come in 4 different colours, they're designed in Australia, made from recycled plastic and BPA free! Simply throw any scraps (except bones & excessive liquid) inside and compact them down. Then spray with the compost accelerator, this contains micro-organisms that will aid the breakdown of the scraps. Every couple of days liquid gold can be drained from the tap and you'll have your own natural drain cleaner or home made fertiliser (dilute with water 1:100)! Old scraps can be buried in the garden, worm bin or compost pile. These will then break down very quickly! Easy to clean, air tight and doesn't release any green house gases!



Urban Compost Bin \$49.95
Compost Accelerator \$9.45
Natural Cleaner \$9.45

Jazzii-Bee address and note books

This gorgeous new range of address and notebooks is a winner! Each book is a 100% handmade, with a laminated fabric cover and compiled from an assortment of beautiful papers to match, some even have the odd envelopes for

hiding secret notes! The notebooks are available in 3 sizes and the address book holds 384 contacts, with a birthday book at the back! 5 fantastic fabric designs to choose from!



Address book \$19.95
Notebook A6 \$14.95
Notebook A5 & Square \$19.95
(All Australian made)

Bolwarra design

This beautiful new design by Nicola Cerini was inspired by the native Bolwarra flower! *Eupomatia laurina* is a rare and endangered understorey plant found in forrests in New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria. Each Bolwarra flower lasts only a day, and is pollinated by weevils! The fruit also contains an edible pulp! Cups come with a gift box, at \$12.95. Coasters \$12.95 for a set of six.

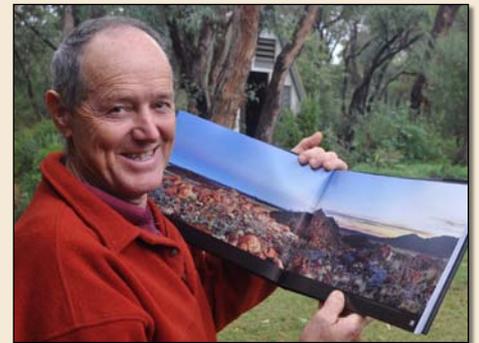


Get organised in the garden!

Forever losing your secateurs and hand trowels in the garden? I certainly do! Recently in, is the garden caddy, who promises to keep all your gloves, plant labels, twine and much more in one place while you travel around the garden! While your at it, why not check out the seed packet tin, organising all your seeds into the month of planting and keeping them safe from those hungry tummies that live in the shed! -Danielle

Book review, "Panoramic Journey"

I was very happy to review "Panoramic Journey through Western Australia" by Simon Nevill as it took me to many spots I've seen and loved. What a temptation to travel to other places he has taken such clear images of!



He has divided his work into five areas- South West, Goldfields & Desert, Mid West, Pilbara and Kimberley. The often double spread images are crisp and inviting, and the writing packed with titbits of information presented in easy to read style. \$49-95 seems very reasonable for a coffee table book of this quality, and one that will be picked up and perused often.

-Alec



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