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### Grow local

The New England Tableland is a plateau on the Great Dividing Range, ranging in altitude from 900 to 1600m above sea level. The altitude, together with the relatively high rainfall and the soils derived from granite, basalt and metamorphic rocks create unique plant communities.

The vegetation of Southern New England is mostly forest or woodland, dominated by a variety of eucalypts. The understorey may be shrubby or grassy, with a diverse range of wildflowers. This brochure shows a small selection of the many hundreds of plants that occur on the Tablelands. Many of these are common species while some such as the Small Snake Orchid and the Anchor Plant are now very rare.

Most of these plants can be easily grown in local gardens as they are adapted to the cold winter conditions. There are nurseries in Armidale, Walcha and Uralla which specialise in local native plants.

There are several National Parks in the area where you can see these native plants in the bush, including Oxley Wild Rivers, Imbota Nature Reserve and Mt Duval NR. Contact NPWS for more information about Parks. You can also see many of these plants on the roads and Travelling Stock Routes that run through the region. There are also patches of bushland within the urban areas of Armidale, Uralla, Guyra and Walcha.

Native plants have been successfully planted on farms in New England for many years. Revegetation can be used for farm shelter and shade, to bring back wildlife, to protect streams and dams and for beautifying the landscape. When planting on farms, try to use plants that come from a similar soil type and position in the landscape to where you are planting.

If you have these plants on your farm or land, look after them by managing grazing, controlling weeds and feral animals and not adding fertiliser. Native plants are our environmental heritage and need careful management to ensure their long-term survival.

### Shrub Layer



Dogwood  
*Jacksonia scoparia*



Violet Kunzea  
*Kunzea parvifolia*



Peach Heath  
*Lissanthe strigosa*



Sticky Wattle  
*Acacia viscidula*



*Cryptandra amara*



*Leucopogon sp. aff. fraseri*



Poverty Wattle  
*Acacia dawsonii*



Slender Rice Flower  
*Pimelea linifolia*



Blackthorn  
*Bursaria spinosa*



Dagger Wattle  
*Acacia siculiformis*



Daphne Heath,  
*Brachyloma daphnoides*



Dogwood, Cough Bush  
*Cassinia quinquefaria*



Australian Indigo  
*Indigofera australis*



Australian Anchor Plant  
*Discaria pubescens*



Tea Tree  
*Leptospermum brevipes*



Small fruited hakea,  
*Hakea microcarpa*



*Dillwynia sieberi*



Tree violet  
*Melicytus dentata*



Broom Bitter Pea  
*Daviesia genistifolia*



Sticky Daisy Bush  
*Olearia viscidula*

### Tree Layer



Blackwood  
*Acacia melanoxylon (flowers)*



Blackwood  
*Acacia melanoxylon (seeding)*



Blakely's Red Gum,  
*Eucalyptus blakelyi*



Black Sallee  
*Eucalyptus stellulata*



Honeysuckle, Coastal Banksia  
*Banksia integrifolia*



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## More Information

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**Websites**  
 Southern New England Landcare [www.snelandcare.org.au](http://www.snelandcare.org.au) - Information about groups and projects to help you manage native plants and other natural resources.

Plant Net <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/search/simple.htm> - Accurate information to help you identify native plants.

NCW Beadle Herbarium at the University of New England <http://www.unen.edu.au/herbarium/> - Information about UNE's NCW Beadle Herbarium

Australian Native Plant Society <http://anpsa.org.au/> - Information about growing native plants.

### Native Plant Nurseries in Southern New England

Armidale Tree Group - 6771 1620  
 Cedar Wholesale Nursery - 0411 85 887  
 Fields Native Nursery (Uralla) - 02 6778 3111  
 Kentucky Tree Nursery - 02 6778 7342  
 Moon's Native Nursery (Walcha) - 02 6777 2263



Snow Grass  
*Poa sieberiana*



Common Woodruff  
*Asperula conferta*



Small Snake Orchid  
*Diuris pedunculata*



Copperwire Daisy  
*Podolepis jaceoides*



Common Bindweed  
*Convolvulus angustissimus*



Many-headed Mat-Rush  
*Lomandra multiflora*



Blady Grass  
*Imperata cylindrica*



*Goodenia hederacea*



*Pultenaea microphylla*



Creamy Candles  
*Stackhousia monogyna*



Kangaroo Grass  
*Themeda australis*



Austral Bugle  
*Ajuga australis*



Purple Pea  
*Hardenbergia violacea*



Billy Buttons  
*Craspedia variabilis*



Blue Bells  
*Wahlenbergia sp.*

## Tree Layer



New England Peppermint  
*Eucalyptus nova-anglica*



Silver Wattle  
*Acacia dealbata*



Apple Box  
*Eucalyptus bridgesiana*



Fern-leaved Wattle  
*Acacia filicifolia*



Ribbon Gum  
*Eucalyptus viminalis*



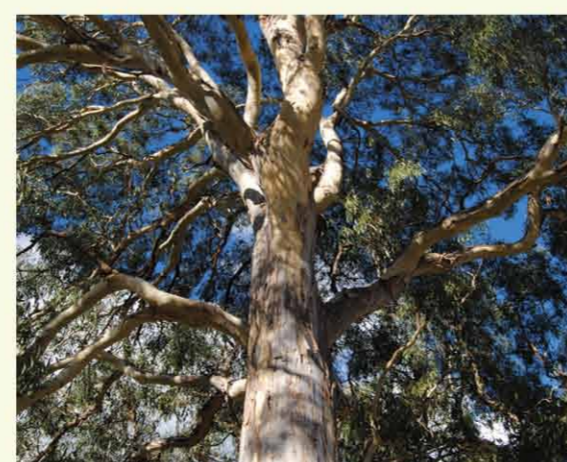
Cherry Ballart  
*Exocarpos cupressiformis*



Yellow Box  
*Eucalyptus melliodora*



Snow Gum  
*Eucalyptus pauciflora*



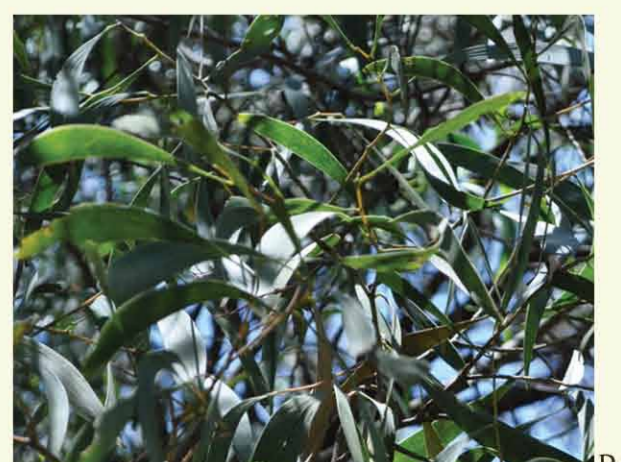
Mountain Gum  
*Eucalyptus dalrympleana*



Rough-barked Apple  
*Angophora floribunda*



River She Oak  
*Casuarina cunninghamiana*



Hickory Wattle  
*Acacia implexa*