

# List 1

# Bracken Ridge - Bridgeman Downs - Carseldine<sup>47</sup>

**As soils: "ASPLEY" LANDSCAPE.** This is a very restricted landscape unit on broadly rounded hills of clay and sandy clay to 45 m., with alluvial plains extending to Bracken Ridge. Soils underly the old Aspley farming area which supported vineyards, dairies, orchards and market gardens; the soils are derived from deeply weathered fine sediments of the Petrie Formation; the crests are predominantly krasnozems on clays with mildly acid surfaces and subsoils; the soil structure has been highly modified by cultivation.

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<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Botanical Name</b>	<b>Features</b>
<b><u>Ground Covers and Grasses: 0 - 1 metre and Vines</u></b>		
blue flax lily	<i>Dianella longifolia</i>	small lily of open eucalypt forest; blue flowers; bright blue berries; suit rockery or foreground planting
kangaroo grass	<i>Themeda triandra</i>	wide-spread grass of the eucalypt forest; fine foliage; coppery seed heads in summer
gristle fern	<i>Blechnum cartilagineum</i>	upright, hardy fern with a creeping rhizome; pink new growth; moist, open sites
love flower	<i>Pseuderanthemum variable</i>	low perennial herb; pastel coloured flowers after rain; suit large tubs, semi-shade; attracts butterflies
matrush	<i>Lomandra filiformis</i>	hardy, grass-like understorey plant; spikes of delicate flowers in spring; suitable for rockeries
rice flower	<i>Pimelea linifolia</i>	fine-leaved dwarf shrub with clusters of small white flowers; blooms intermittently throughout year
sarsaparilla vine	<i>Hardenbergia violacea</i>	fine scrambling hardy vine; deep purple pea flowers in late winter; will cover lattice-work
scrambling lily	<i>Geitonoplesium cymosum</i>	grassy-leaved scrambler; shiny black berry & dainty, white, perfumed flowers; fresh shoots edible
tape vine	<i>Stephania japonica</i>	climber with glossy dark green heart-shaped leaves; red fleshy fruit on female plant; attracts wildlife
yellow fan flower	<i>Goodenia rotundifolia</i>	soft-leaved, creeping ground cover; yellow fan flowers; suit clay banks; painted lady butterfly
<b><u>Low Shrubs: 1 - 2 metres</u></b>		
Brisbane laurel	<i>Pittosporum revolutum</i>	open shrub with cream flowers; evening fragrance; yellow fruit open to reveal red seeds; attracts birds
bushie's bootlace	<i>Wikstroemia indica</i>	low compact shrub; conspicuous in fruit; fine stems are wiry and resist snapping
dogwood	<i>Jacksonia scoparia</i>	fine-leaved hardy shrub for sunny position, clusters of yellow pea flowers, porous soils
forest grass tree	<i>Xanthorrhoea johnsonii</i>	slow growing 1.5 m. grass tree for sunny site; well-drained soils; flower spike attracts wildlife
hop bush	<i>Dodonaea triquetra</i>	shrub with distinctive clusters of bronze hop-like fruit; partial shade; moist, well-drained position
pointed leaf hovea	<i>Hovea acutifolia</i>	fine open shrub; purple pea flowers in late winter; prefers filtered light, deeper soils
sago flower	<i>Ozothamnus diosmifolius</i>	fine-leaved shrub with dense heads of cream flowers; painted lady butterfly
wild may	<i>Leptospermum polygalifolium</i>	hardy, fine-leaved shrub; open arching habit; useful in mass plantings; small white flowers in summer

### **Medium Shrubs: 2 - 5 metres**

chain fruit	<i>Alyxia ruscifolia</i>	compact shrub; sharp leaves in whorls; small white, perfumed flowers; orange fruit; shelters birds
grey myrtle, carol	<i>Backhousia myrtifolia</i>	small spreading understorey tree with small fragrant leaves & beautiful Summer flower clusters
hickory wattle	<i>Acacia penninervis</i>	large shrub; compact shape in open area; pale yellow pom-pom flowers throughout summer
lolly bush	<i>Clerodendrum floribundum</i>	small ornamental tree; white perfumed flowers; black & red fruits a feature
maiden's wattle	<i>Acacia maidenii</i>	upright medium tree; with drooping branches; spikes of pale yellow flowers followed by spiral pods
native hibiscus	<i>Hibiscus heterophyllus</i>	slender tall shrub; large white flowers with deep red throat; prickly stems
white bottlebrush	<i>Callistemon salignus</i>	small bushy tree; new foliage pink; nectar-rich, cream brushes attract wildlife

### **Small Trees: 5 - 10 metres**

black she-oak	<i>Allocasuarina littoralis</i>	medium tree; fine needle foliage; male trees a rusty colour during winter flowering period; butterflies
blackwood	<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	shapely, dense small tree; mid-green foliage; moist deep soils; cream pom-pom blossom in summer
cheese tree	<i>Glochidion ferdinandi</i>	compact tree with small glossy leaves; button-shaped fruit; moist soils; attracts wildlife
foambark tree	<i>Jagera pseudorhus</i>	dense tree with clean trunk; dark pinnate leaves; panicles of pink flowers; rusty coloured hairy fruit
hard quandong	<i>Elaeocarpus obovatus</i>	tree of creeksides; dense, mid-green foliage; clean grey trunk; small white flowers; small blue fruits
murrogun	<i>Cryptocarya microneura</i>	a tree in the natural creek-side community; dense, shiny-leaved form suits hedge; can be pruned
native quince	<i>Guioa semiglauc</i>	arching tree with mottled, pale-coloured smooth bark; leaves pale underneath; host tree for epiphytes
red ash	<i>Alphitonia excelsa</i>	medium tree; clean grey bark; dark green, leathery leaves, silver beneath; attracts birds and butterflies
sandpaper fig	<i>Ficus fraseri</i>	slender upright medium tree; leaves have sandpaper texture; dark edible fruit
swamp box	<i>Lophostemon suaveolens</i>	fast growing eucalypt-like tree with graceful branch form; open canopy; frequent flowering periods
white cedar	<i>Melia azedarach</i>	graceful tree with fine foliage; deciduous; panicles of lilac flowers in spring; orange fruit (poisonous)

### **Tall Trees: over 10 metres**

grey ironbark	<i>Eucalyptus siderophloia</i>	
forest red gum	<i>Eucalyptus tereticornis</i>	
gum top box	<i>Eucalyptus moluccana</i>	
small fruited grey gum	<i>Eucalyptus propinqua</i>	large trees for acreage or steep sites; comprised original canopy of the area; trunks a feature;
pink bloodwood	<i>Corymbia intermedia</i>	provide food, nest and perch sites for varied native wildlife
tallowwood	<i>Eucalyptus microcorys</i>	
narrow-leaved red gum	<i>Eucalyptus seeana</i>	
scribbly gum	<i>Eucalyptus racemosa</i>	
brush box	<i>Lophostemon confertus</i>	large tree with deep-green horizontal foliage; bare pink bark in upper branches; favours South slopes
paper barked tea tree	<i>Melaleuca quinquenervia</i>	hardy tree for damp sites; cream paper bark; cream brush flowers attract insects and birds
small-leaved fig	<i>Ficus obliqua</i>	large spreading, shade tree; buttressed trunk; small shiny leaves; small orange fruit; invasive roots
smooth barked apple	<i>Angophora leiocarpa</i>	large gum-like tree; smooth, pink bark; flowers well; deep sandy well-drained soils; drops branches