

Kenmore Hills - Pinjarra Hills - Pullenvale⁵

Ke soils: “KENMORE” LANDSCAPE: Hilly terrain; narrow drainage lines which supported scrubs; poorer soils of these hilly lands were left under native forest, providing some timber and sparse grazing; dominant soil is gravelly with a red clay subsoil formed in the weakly weathered shale and phyllite of the Neranleigh-Fernvale formation; alluvial soils along creek flats.

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Common Name	Botanical Name	Features
<u>Ground Covers and Grasses: 0 - 1 metre and Vines</u>		
basket fern	<i>Drynaria rigidula</i>	upright hardy fern; grown in basket will shoot through the matting to eventually conceal the basket
blue flax lily	<i>Dianella longifolia</i>	fine lily of open eucalypt forest; blue flowers; bright blue berries; suit rockery or foreground planting
Brisbane lily	<i>Proiphys cunninghamii</i>	hardy bulb from hoop pine forests; large heart-shaped leaves annually; sprays of white flowers
currant bush	<i>Carissa ovata</i>	sprawling shrub for moist well drained site; fragrant white flowers; black edible fruit; sharp thorns
kangaroo grass	<i>Themeda triandra</i>	wide-spread grass of the eucalypt forest; fine foliage; spikes of coppery seed heads in summer
native hoya	<i>Hoya australis</i>	twining vine with striking waxy flower heads; well drained site; suit hanging pot
pineapple zamia	<i>Macrozamia lucida</i>	low-growing cycad for rockeries or hill sides; no trunk; 2 metre fronds; poisonous fruit
rasp fern	<i>Doodia aspera</i>	hardy, low-growing fern with pink new fronds; colonises banks; tolerates open areas or shade
spiny head matrush	<i>Lomandra longifolia</i>	large grassy clumps common on creek banks; flowers have evening perfume; butterflies
wonga vine	<i>Pandorea pandorana</i>	vigorous twining vine in shaded forest situation; ferny foliage; showy sprays of small trumpet flowers
<u>Low Shrubs: 1 - 2 metres</u>		
bush pea	<i>Pultenaea cunninghamii</i>	graceful arching fine-leaved shrub; yellow pea flowers; well drained soils in open eucalypt forests
Brisbane laurel	<i>Pittosporum revolutum</i>	open shrub with cream flowers; evening fragrance; yellow fruit open to reveal red seeds; attracts birds
burrawang palm	<i>Macrozamia miquelii</i>	bushy cycad; fronds to 1 m; foreground plant for large planting; poisonous reddish fruit; blue butterfly
hairy psychotria	<i>Psychotria loniceroides</i>	attractive, open-branched shrub of forests and gullies; rusty appearance; clusters of juicy berries
native indigo	<i>Indigofera australis</i>	evergreen shrub; smooth spreading stems; profuse mauve-pink flowers in spring
palm lily	<i>Cordyline petiolaris</i>	upright, multistemmed cane with broad leaves; moist shaded areas; sprays of pale flowers; red fruit
scaly tree fern	<i>Cyathea australis</i>	handsome, easily grown tree fern; white leaf scars; recovers after any frost; needs 2 metre circle
<u>Medium Shrubs: 2 - 5 metres</u>		
broad-leaved boxwood	<i>Denhamia pittosporoides</i>	useful screen plant; lush green foliage with plentiful orange fruit; from dry rainforest
chain fruit	<i>Alyxia ruscifolia</i>	compact shrub; sharp leaves in whorls; small white, perfumed flowers; orange fruit; shelters birds
emu apple	<i>Owenia venosa</i>	small tree with grey scaly bark; glossy compound leaves; small red fruit; difficult to propagate
green kamala	<i>Mallotus laevis</i>	"smell of the bush" shrub for understorey in rainforest garden; male & female plants
native holly	<i>Alchornea ilicifolia</i>	slow growing understorey shrub; distinctive holly shaped leaves; self-propagating
native mulberry	<i>Pipturus argenteus</i>	slender tree with branching canopy; serrated leaf, whitish underneath; edible mulberry-like fruit
native pomegranate	<i>Capparis arborea</i>	large shrub with compact shape if protected; sharp thorns; large white flowers; fruit edible
scrub ironwood	<i>Austromyrtus acmenoides</i>	small tree; attractive flowers; fruit attracts birds
sweet susie	<i>Canthium odoratum</i>	thick shrub with trailing branches; dense panicles of dainty white flowers with intriguing scent
<u>Small Trees: 5 - 10 metres</u>		
hairy bird's eye	<i>Alectryon tomentosus</i>	hardy, slow growing, ornamental tree; rounded crown in the open; colourful autumn fruits attract birds

native elm	<i>Aphananthe philippinensis</i>	rounded, shady tree; rough textured leaves; ripe fruit edible tastes like stewed apple; attracts birds
native quince	<i>Guioa semiglauc</i>	arching tree with mottled, pale-coloured smooth bark; leaves pale underneath; host tree for epiphytes
pitted leaf steelwood	<i>Toechima tenax</i>	shapely, adaptable, small shade tree; shiny, pale green, pinnate leaves; decorative fruit
red kamala	<i>Mallotus philippensis</i>	nicely shaped tree if grown in sun; can be pruned to give new reddish growth; velvety red fruit
red olive plum	<i>Cassine australis</i>	shrub to small tree with glossy leaves, paler beneath; greenish flowers; green fruit turn scarlet
scrub cherry	<i>Syzygium australe</i>	fast growing, shady tree; showy white blossom; ornamental scarlet berries in summer; jam fruit
silver croton	<i>Croton insularis</i>	rounded shrub; attractive large leaves with silvery undersurface; distinctive red, older leaves
small-leaved coondoo	<i>Planchonella cotinifolia</i>	large shrub to small tree; glossy green foliage; natural host of some orchids
three-veined laurel	<i>Cryptocarya triplinervis</i>	easily grown, rounded shade tree for moist, deep soils; heavy seasonal fruiting attracts some birds
twin-leaved coogera	<i>Arytera distylis</i>	small, hardy tree of rainforests; colourful new foliage and fruit
whalebone tree	<i>Streblus pendulinus</i>	small tree of dry rainforest; semi-weeping shape; understorey plant for well drained sites
white euodia	<i>Melicope micrococca</i>	openly branched tree from creek sides; pale grey bark; fragrant white flower clusters in summer
all trees: over 10 metres		
bumpy ash	<i>Flindersia schottiana</i>	specimen tree; large pinnate leaves; panicles of fragrant, white flowers; large, woody seed capsules
celery wood	<i>Polyscias elegans</i>	handsome shade tree; long pinnate leaves; fast growing pioneer in rich, moist soils; draws wildlife
grey ironbark	<i>Eucalyptus siderophloia</i>	<p>large trees for acreage or steep sites; comprised original canopy of the area; trunks a feature; provide food, nest and perch sites for numerous and varied native wildlife</p>
red ironbark	<i>Eucalyptus crebra</i>	
spotted gum	<i>Corymbia citriodora</i>	
forest red gum	<i>Eucalyptus tereticornis</i>	
Moreton Bay ash	<i>Corymbia tessellaris</i>	
small fruited grey gum	<i>Eucalyptus propinqua</i>	
ivorywood	<i>Siphonodon australis</i>	
Moreton Bay fig	<i>Ficus macrophylla</i>	
native tamarind	<i>Diploglottis australis</i>	
pepperberry tree	<i>Cryptocarya obovata</i>	
red cedar	<i>Toona australis</i>	deciduous tree of coastal rainforest; deep well drained soils; spring flowers; carving timber
		large specimen shade tree; large leaves, rusty beneath; attracts fruit bats and birds; invasive roots
		tall timber tree with conspicuously large leaves and edible fruit; large gardens; green triangle butterfly
		large tree; rounded dense canopy; fruit attracts wildlife
		locally endangered deciduous timber tree; pinnate leaves; sprays of white flowers