

# Bald Hills<sup>22</sup>

**Ru soils: "RUNCORN" LANDSCAPE:** very localised unit on low hills to 30 m; soils derived from highly weathered basalt; red earths on the crests with some shallow black earths, and dark acid clays in the depressions

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Common Name	Botanical Name	Features
<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
boobialla	<i>Myoporum acuminatum</i>	sprawling shrub from sandy coastal areas; small white bearded tubular flowers throughout the year
kangaroo grass	<i>Themeda triandra</i>	wide-spread grass of the eucalypt forest; fine foliage; coppery seed heads in summer
many flowered matrush	<i>Lomandra multiflora</i>	small, grass-like plant for sunny sites; sprays of miniature flowers; evening perfume; draws butterflies
peperomia	<i>Peperomia leptostachya</i>	soft-wooded herb suitable pots or moist shaded area
scrambling lily	<i>Geitonoplesium cymosum</i>	grassy-leaved scrambler; shiny black berry & dainty white, perfumed flowers; fresh shoots edible
wonga vine	<i>Pandorea pandorana</i>	vigorous twining vine in shaded forest situation; ferny foliage; showy sprays of small trumpet flowers
wombat berry	<i>Eustrephus latifolius</i>	inconspicuous, fine-leaved scrambler; tiny pale pink flowers; bright orange berries; new shoots edible
<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
dogwood	<i>Jacksonia scoparia</i>	fine-leaved hardy shrub for sunny position, clusters of yellow pea flowers, porous soils
false coffee bush	<i>Breynia oblongifolia</i>	small shrub with arching branches; small red-black fruit; open, well drained, moist site; butterflies
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
wild may	<i>Leptospermum trinervium</i>	slender, graceful shrub, small white flowers in spring; scaly bark peels in strips
<b><u>Medium Shrubs: 2 - 5 metres</u></b>		
geebung	<i>Persoonia cornifolia</i>	hardy shrub; upright habit; mid-green foliage; small, yellow fuschia-like flowers; yellow edible fruit
green kamala	<i>Mallotus claoxyloides</i>	"smell of the bush" shrub for understory in rainforest garden; male & female plants
large native olive	<i>Notelaea longifolia</i>	dense, rounded shrub; fruit attract birds
native pomegranate	<i>Capparis arborea</i>	large shrub with compact shape if protected; sharp thorns; large white flowers; flower buds edible
white bottlebrush	<i>Callistemon salignus</i>	small bushy tree; new foliage pink; nectar-rich, cream brushes attract wildlife
wild may	<i>Leptospermum polygalifolium</i>	hardy, fine-leaved shrub; open arching habit; useful in mass plantings; small white flowers in summer

### Small Trees: 5 - 10 metres

blackwood	<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	shapely, dense small tree; mid-green foliage; moist deep soils; cream pom-pom blossom in summer
brown kurrajong	<i>Commersonia bartramia</i>	slender tree near creek edges; broad-leaved, layered canopy; blossom gives appearance of snow
foambark tree	<i>Jagera pseudorhus</i>	handsome tree; dark pinnate leaves; panicles of pink flowers; rusty coloured hairy fruit
hard quandong	<i>Elaeocarpus obovatus</i>	tree of creek-sides; dense, mid-green foliage; clean grey trunk; small white flowers; small blue fruits
koda	<i>Ehretia acuminata</i>	medium shade tree; deciduous; white perfumed flowers and small yellow, edible fruit
native elm	<i>Aphananthe philippinensis</i>	rounded, shady tree; rough textured leaves; ripe fruit edible; tastes like stewed apple; attracts birds
red ash	<i>Alphitonia excelsa</i>	medium tree; clean grey bark; dark green, leathery leaves, silver beneath; attracts birds and butterflies
red kamala	<i>Mallotus philippensis</i>	nicely shaped tree if grown in sun; can be pruned to give new reddish growth; velvety red fruit
snow in summer	<i>Melaleuca linariifolia</i>	dense, fine-leaved tree; paper bark; hardy, but prefers moist deep soils; white summer flowers
swamp box	<i>Lophostemon suaveolens</i>	fast growing eucalypt-like tree with graceful branch form; open canopy; frequent flowering periods
tulip wood	<i>Harpullia pendula</i>	small shade tree; disease free and hardy; bright green pinnate foliage; decorative orange fruit persists

### Tall Trees: over 10 metres

crow's ash	<i>Flindersia australis</i>	large timber tree suit specimen; panicles of white flowers; woody fruit opens into five woody sections
grey ebony	<i>Diospyros pentamera</i>	slow growing timber tree for moist, well drained soils; orange fruit attract birds
smooth barked apple	<i>Angophora leiocarpa</i>	large gum-like tree; smooth, pink bark; flowers well; deep sandy well-drained soils; drops branches
scribbly gum	<i>Eucalyptus signata</i>	
grey ironbark	<i>Eucalyptus siderophloia</i>	
red ironbark	<i>Eucalyptus crebra</i>	
forest red gum	<i>Eucalyptus tereticornis</i>	large trees for acreage or steep sites; comprised original canopy of the area; trunks a feature;
Moreton Bay ash	<i>Eucalyptus tessellaris</i>	provide food, nest and perch sites for numerous and varied native wildlife
gum top box	<i>Eucalyptus moluccana</i>	
small fruited grey gum	<i>Eucalyptus propinqua</i>	
pink bloodwood	<i>Eucalyptus intermedia</i>	
tallowwood	<i>Eucalyptus microcorys</i>	
brown bloodwood	<i>Eucalyptus trachyphloia</i>	