

Indigenous plants of the Geelong Region

ZONE 5

Consists of moderately fertile alluvial loam soils with some sands, gravels and clays. It is mostly flat with poor to moderate drainage. The average rainfall is 50 - 55cm.

MOOLAP PLAINS: Moolap, Pt Henry, Whittington, Newcomb & Limeburners Point

This area was once predominantly an open woodland community that also included an understorey of various shrubs and grasses. Dominant tree species such as the River Red Gum, Swamp Gum and Drooping Sheoke grew alongside other species such as Blackwood, Cherry Ballart and Golden Wattle. Shrub species such as Sticky Boobialla, Sweet Bursaria and Silver Banksia formed most of the middle storey. The ground storey was dominated by Kangaroo Grass, associated species included Grey Parrot-pea, Smooth Parrot-pea and Flax-lily.

In riparian and damper areas, Golden Spray, Sweet Bursaria and Hop Goodenia grew while Common Tussock Grass dominated the ground storey.



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TREE SPECIES

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Common name	Botanical name	Size (H x W m)	Riparian	Plains
Lightwood	<i>Acacia implexa</i>	5-15 x 4-7		◆
Black Wattle	<i>Acacia mearnsii</i>	8-25 x 6-10		◆
Blackwood	<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	5-30 x 4-15	◆	◆
Golden Wattle	<i>Acacia pycnantha</i>	3-10 x 2-5		◆
Drooping Sheoke	<i>Allocasuarina verticillata</i>	4-11 x 3-6		◆
River Red Gum	<i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i>	12-35 x 15-35	◆	◆
Swamp Gum	<i>Eucalyptus ovata</i>	8-30 x 8-20	◆	◆
Cherry Ballart	<i>Exocarpos cupressiformis</i>	3-8 x 3-5		◆

SHRUB SPECIES

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Common name	Botanical name	Size (H x W m)	Riparian	Plains
Gold-dust Wattle	<i>Acacia acinacea</i>	0.5-2.5 x 2-4		◆
Hedge Wattle	<i>Acacia paradoxa</i>	2-4 x 2-5	◆	◆
Silver Banksia	<i>Banksia marginata</i>	1-10 x 1-5		◆
Sweet Bursaria	<i>Bursaria spinosa var macrophylla</i>	2-6 x 2-3	◆	◆
Grey Parrot-pea	<i>Dillwynia cinerascens</i>	0.6-1.5 x 0.5-1.5		◆
Smooth Parrot-pea	<i>Dillwynia glaberrima</i>	1-2 x 1-2		◆
Hop Goodenia	<i>Goodenia ovata</i>	1-2.5 x 1-3	◆	◆
Common Boobiella	<i>Myoporum insulare</i>	1-6 x 3		◆
Sticky Boobiella	<i>Myoporum viscosum</i>	0.5-2 x 1.5-2		◆
Shrub Everlasting	<i>Ozothamnus ferrugineus</i>	2-6 x 1-3	◆	◆
Sea Berry Saltbush	<i>Rhagodia candolleana</i>	2 x 1-2.5		◆
Kangaroo Apple	<i>Solanum laciniatum</i>	1-3 x 1-3		◆
Golden Spray	<i>Viminaria juncea</i>	2.5-5 x 2	◆	

GROUNDCOVER AND TUSSOCK SPECIES

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Common name	Botanical name	Size (H x W m)	Riparian	Plains
Berry Saltbush	<i>Atriplex semibaccata</i>	0.1-0.3 x 1-3		◆
Black Anther Flax-lily	<i>Dianella revoluta</i>	0.5 x 1.5-2.0	◆	
Tussock Grass	<i>Poa labillardieri</i>	0.8 x 0.8		◆
Kangaroo Grass	<i>Themeda triandra</i>	0.3 x 0.3	◆	

◆ - species is present in areas of remnant vegetation ❖ - species once occurred in this area

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