

Birds in Dubbo Backyards: Native Plant List



No garden is complete without its complement of birds. A garden becomes bird friendly when it offers food, water, shelter, nesting material and protection from predators. Once you begin thinking about how to incorporate these elements, you will be surprised how easy it is to turn your backyard into an urban bird haven for our native bird species. Here's a plant species list to get you started...

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NATIVE TREES for Birds in Dubbo Backyards

<p>WATTLES (Acacia) <i>Acacia acinacea</i> Gold Dust S <i>A. aneura</i> Mulga M-L <i>A. buxifolia</i> Box-leaved Wattle <i>A. cardiophylla</i> Wyalong Wattle <i>A. cultriformis</i> Knife Leaf Wattle S <i>A. deanei</i> Deans Wattle M <i>A. decora</i> Western Silver Wattle <i>A. doratoxylon</i> Currawong L <i>A. farnesiana</i> Perfumed Wattle M <i>A. gladiiformis</i> Sword Leaf Wattle M <i>A. hakeoides</i> Whipstick M-L <i>A. homalophylla</i> Yarran M-L <i>A. implexa</i> Lightwood M <i>A. leucoclada</i> Eulomogo Wattle L <i>A. linearifolia</i> Narrow Leaf Wattle L <i>A. pendula</i> Weeping Myall M-L <i>A. penninervis</i> Hickory Wattle M <i>A. pravissima</i> Ovens Wattle <i>A. salicina</i> Native Willow L <i>A. spectabilis</i> Mudgee Wattle M <i>A. stenophylla</i> River Cooba M-L <i>A. trineura</i> Three veined Wattle S <i>A. triptera</i> Spur Wing Wattle M <i>A. uncinata</i> Golden Balls S <i>A. verniciflua</i> Varnished Wattle M <i>A. vestita</i> Weeping Boree M</p>	<p>GUM TREES (Eucalyptus) Medium to Large Eucalypts <i>Eucalyptus albens</i> White Box <i>E. blakelyi</i> Blakely's Red Gum <i>E. camaldulensis</i> River Red Gum <i>E. conica</i> Fuzzy Box <i>E. crebra</i> Narrow Leaf Red Ironbark <i>E. dealbata</i> Tumbledown Gum <i>E. macroryncha</i> Red Stringybark <i>E. melliodora</i> Yellow Box <i>E. microcarpa</i> Western Grey Box <i>E. populnea</i> Bimble Box <i>E. polyanthemos</i> Red Box <i>E. sideroxylon</i> Mugga Ironbark</p> <p>Small to Medium Eucalypts <i>E. dwyeri</i> Dwyer's Mallee <i>E. viridis</i> Green Mallee</p> <p>EUCALYPTS NOT ENDEMIC TO DUBBO ^ Small to Medium <i>Eucalyptus caesia</i> Gungurru <i>E. erythrocorys</i> Illyarie <i>E. ficifolia</i> Red Flowering Gum <i>E. forrestiana</i> Fuchsia Gum <i>E. macrocarpa</i> Mottlecah <i>E. platypus</i> Round Leaf Moort <i>E. pulverulenta</i> Silver Leaf Gum <i>E. torquate</i> Coral Gum</p>	<p>OTHER TREES ENDEMIC TO DUBBO <i>Allocasurina diminuta</i> Forest Oak <i>Allocasurina leuhmannii</i> Bull Oak <i>Angophora floribunda</i> Apple Box <i>Brachychiton populneus</i> Kurrajong <i>Callitris endlicheri</i> Black Cypress Pine <i>Callitris glaucephylla</i> White Cypress Pine <i>Casurina cristata</i> Belah <i>Casurina cunninghamiana</i> River Oak <i>Geijera parviflora</i> Wilga <i>Santalum acuinatum</i> Quandong</p> <p>OTHER TREES NOT ENDEMIC TO DUBBO ^ <i>Agonis flexuosa</i> Willow Myrtle <i>Brachychiton</i> spp Kurrajongs <i>Callistemon</i> spp Bottlebrushes <i>Callitris</i> species- Native Cypress Pines <i>Casurina</i> spp- She Oak <i>Flindersia maculosa</i> Leopardwood <i>Hymenosporum flavum</i> Native Frangipani <i>Melaleuca</i> spp Paperbarks <i>Syzigium</i> spp Lily Pilly <i>Telopea</i> spp Waratah <i>Trisitania laurina</i> Water Gum</p>
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NATIVE SHRUBS for Birds in Dubbo Backyards

<p><i>Acacia</i> spp- Wattles <i>Acmena</i> spp-^ Bush Lily Pilly's <i>Baeckea</i> spp-^ Heath Myrtle <i>Banksia</i> spp- ^ Banksias <i>Boronia</i> spp-^ Boronias/ Native Rock Rose <i>Callistemon</i> spp-^ Bottlebrush <i>Callistemon paludosus</i> River Bottlebrush <i>Calothamnus</i> spp- ^ One Sided Bottlebrush <i>Calytrix tetragona</i>- Fringe Myrtle <i>Cassia artemesoides</i> Silver Cassia (Senna) <i>Cassinia laevis</i> Biddy Bush <i>Chamelaucium</i> spp-^ Wax Plants <i>Cordyline</i> spp-^ Cabbage Tree Palms <i>Correa glabra</i> Correa/ Native Fuchsia <i>Dillwynia juniperina</i> Prickly Parrot Pea <i>Dillwynia sericea</i> A Parrot Pea <i>Eremophila</i> species- Emu Bushes <i>Eriostemon</i> spp-^ Wax Flowers</p>	<p><i>Grevillea arenaria</i> <i>Grevillea floribunda</i> <i>Grevillea</i> spp-^ Honey Flowers <i>Hakea</i> spp-^ Hakeas <i>Helichrysum</i> spp- Everlasting Daisy <i>Kunzea</i> spp-^ Muntries <i>Leptospermum</i> spp- Tea Trees <i>Melaleuca</i> spp-^ Honey Myrtles <i>Micromyrtus ciliata</i> Fringed Heath Myrtle <i>Myoporum montanum</i> Boobialla <i>Pimelia</i> spp-^ Rice Flower <i>Prostanthera</i> spp-^ Native Mint Bushes <i>Prostanthera nivea</i> A Native Mint Bush <i>Prostanthera ovalifolia</i> A Native Mint Bush <i>Pultenea cunninghamii</i> Bush Pea <i>Thryptomene</i> spp- Floral Heath <i>Westringia</i> spp-^ Native Rosemary <i>Xanthorrhoea australis</i>- Grass Tree</p>
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NATIVE GROUNDCOVERS for Birds in Dubbo Backyards

<p><i>Actinotus helianthi</i>- Flannel Flower <i>Anigozanthos spp</i>^ Kangaroo Paws <i>Baeckea spp</i>^ Heath Myrtle <i>Bracteantha viscosa</i> Everlasting Daisy <i>Brachycome multifida</i> Cut Leaf Daisy <i>Calotis cuneifolia</i> Blue Burr Daisy <i>Darwinia spp</i>^ Bell Myrtles <i>Dianella caerulea</i> Blue Flax Lily <i>Dianella revoluta</i> Spreading Flax Lily <i>Epacris spp</i>^ Heath <i>Grevillea spp</i>^ Grevilleas <i>Goodenia hederacea</i> <i>Lomandra longifolia</i> Mat Rush <i>Lomandra hystrix</i>^ Matt Rush <i>Lomandra filiformis</i> Wattle Mat Rush <i>Lomandra multiflora</i> Many Flowered Mat Rush <i>Myoporum spp</i>^ Boobialla <i>Myoporum debile</i> Amulla <i>Scaveola spp</i>^ Fan Flowers <i>Wallenbergia stricta</i> Native Bluebells</p>	<p>GRASSES <i>Danthonia spp</i>^ Wallaby Grasses <i>Danthonia caespitose</i> Wallaby Grass <i>Eragrostis brownie</i> Native Cane Grass <i>Eragrostis leptostachya</i> <i>Poa sieberana</i> Native 'Meadow Grass' <i>Stipa densiflora</i> Native Feather Grass <i>Stipa falcata</i> <i>Stipa verticillata</i> Slender Bamboo Grass <i>Themeda australis</i> Kangaroo Grass</p> <p>WET AREAS <i>Juncus spp</i>^ Rushes <i>Juncus subsecundus</i> Rush <i>Cyperus spp</i>- Sedges</p>	<p>CLIMBERS <i>Billardiera spp</i>^ Appleberry <i>Clematis aristata</i> Native Clematis <i>Clematis microphylla</i> Old Mans Beard <i>Hardenbergia violacea</i> Native Sarsaparilla, Happy Wanderer <i>Hibbertia sericea</i> Silky Guinea Flower <i>Hibbertia obtusifolia</i> A Guinea Flower <i>Jasminum lineare</i> Native Jasmine <i>Kennedia species</i> Scarlet Runners <i>Pandorea pandorana</i> Wonga Vine</p>
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Notes:

- S = Small, M = Medium, L = Large (tree sizes).
- 'Endemic' means native to, or naturally occurring, in the Dubbo area. Most species listed are endemic to Dubbo district except the generic species and others as indicated (^)
- Where local species are unavailable, use a close relation. Do consult your local garden centre for species availability.
- *Acacia baileyana* (Cootamundra Wattle) and *Grevillia robusta* (Silky Oak) are NOT native to Dubbo & can become environmental weeds.
- *Schinus molle* (Pepper Trees) and *Salix* species (Willows) are not native trees.

SOME NATIVE BIRD PLANTING TIPS

- Consider planting in clumps to provide cover for smaller birds against larger predatory and/or territorial birds like Noisy Miners, Pied Currawongs and Butcherbirds.
- Plant a variety of food sources including nectar-producing, seed-producing and insect-attracting plants.
- When planting try to recreate the layers of vegetation; grasses, groundcovers, shrubs & trees as found in nature. This will diversify the habitats found in your garden.
- Choose a variety of species that flower at different times to provide year-round food sources.
- Try to choose plants with a mix of large and small flowers. Small flowered plants mean the smaller birds can access food.
- Our logo depicts a Glossy Black Cockatoo- a Threatened Species of the district.

Happy Gardening!

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