## Suitable species for planting near Ausgrid's network

**Fact sheet** 



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## Plants generally suitable for use near Ausgrid's Network

The plants identified below are generally suitable for planting near Ausgrid's Network. The local Council has the overall responsibility to develop appropriate strategies for tree plantings in areas under its control or management. Further advice on the planting of trees should be sought from the local Council website and specific Tree Management Plan. The following considerations should be factored in:

- This list is not exhaustive. Contact the local Council for suitable species native to the local area.
- Not all of the species listed are native to the whole of the Ausgrid supply area.
- Some species in this list may require formal and/or correctional trimming to achieve suitability.
- Minimal trimming of these species may still be required where powerlines are relatively low in height, for example, near where they connect to a building.
- Ausgrid acknowledges that many hybrid species do exist. It is the responsibility of the tree owner &/or person selecting the tree to ensure the maximum growth height will not exceed 6-7 metres once mature.

Botanical Name	Common Name	Height (Metres)	Cultural Notes
Acer palmatum	Japanese Maple	4 - 5	Deciduous tree with finely textured foliage
Acmena smithi var 'Minor'	Dwarf Lilly Pilly	3 - 4	Shade tolerant, hardy, drought tender
Albizia julibrissin	Silk Tree	5 - 6	Deciduous <i>tree</i> with ferny foliage and masses of pink flowers
Angophora hispida	Dwarf Apple	2 - 4	Hardy, drought resistant, light frost resistant, coastal.
Banksia spp	Banksia	2 - 6	Drought tender, heavy frost resistant, coastal. Ensure variety will not exceed 6 metres in height
Callistemon spp	Bottlebrush	4-8	Very hardy, drought resistant, heavy frost resistant. Ensure variety will not exceed 6 metres in height
Camellia japonica	Japanese Camellia	4 - 6	Variety of flower colours
Camellia sasanqua	Sasanqua Camellia	4 - 6	Variety of flower colours
Fraxinus spp	Designer Ash	2 - 6	Slow growing. Ensure variety will not exceed 6 metres in height
Gordonia axillaris	Fried Egg plant	3 - 8	Very hardy. Slow growing.

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Grevillea spp	Grevillea	3 - 8	Hardy, drought resistant, frost resistant.  Ensure variety will not exceed 6 metres in height. Grevillea Robusta shall not be used.
Lagerstroemia spp	Crepe Myrtle	3 - 8	Deciduous tree, pink, mauve, crimson or white flowers and beautiful bark. Ensure variety will not exceed 6 metres in height.
Leptospermum spp	Tea-Tree	3 - 8	Very hardy, drought resistant, coastal
Magnolia 'Little Gem'	Dwarf Magnolia	3 - 4	Creamy white flowers, frost tolerant
Syzgium luehmannii	Small-leaved Lillypilly	5	Masses of creamy white flowers in summer new growth is pale pink
Tibouchina spp	Lasiandra	4 - 6	Masses of velvety royal purple flowers in autumn
Cupaniopsis anacardioides	Tuckeroo	5 - 8	Hardy, frost & drought resistant. Ensure variety will not exceed 6 metres in height.
Corymbia spp	Western Australian Red Flowering Gum	6 - 8	Hardy, drought resistant, frost resistant.  Dwarf variety only to be used. Ensure variety will not exceed 6 metres in height.

## **More information**

Visit our website for more information on tree trimming <a href="https://www.ausgrid.com.au/In-your-community/Tree-trimming">https://www.ausgrid.com.au/In-your-community/Tree-trimming</a>.