

# ESSENCE of AUSTRALIA

## Top 10 Fascinating Australian Plants



***Agonis flexuosa***

**Willow Myrtle**

**Western Australia (WA)**

A small to medium tree with weeping foliage like a willow but is more closely related to Tea Trees and Eucalypts. Featured at RHS Hampton Court Palace Flower Show for the first time.



***Alyogyne* selection**

**Native Hibiscus**

**South Australia (SA) & WA**

A fast-growing shrub which produces lots of large pale mauve flowers. Individual flowers only last a day or two but the plant continues to bloom over a long period. Prune back hard after flowering to encourage new growth and flowers.



***Anigozanthos* hybrids**

**Dwarf Kangaroo Paw hybrids**

**WA**

The richly-coloured flowers with their unique form and texture will last for weeks on this wonderful indoor pot plant. Honeyeaters love this quintessential Western Australian plant.



***Banksia integrifolia***

**Coast Banksia**

**Queensland (Qld), Victoria (Vic),  
New South Wales (NSW), Tasmania (Tas)**

A large tree from the east coast of Australia which attracts nectar-feeding birds and animals. Its inclusion in the Essence of Australia show garden is the first time it has been featured in a major UK flower show.



***Brachyscome* (blue)**

**Australian Daisy**

**All states**

Beautiful mauve-coloured daisy flowers are produced en masse across the top of this wonderful ground cover plant. *Brachyscome* species are found in a wide range of habitats across Australia from dry central Australia to the coast.

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***Chrysocephalum apiculatum***

**Common Everlasting**

**All states**

This plant forms a dense ground cover with golden button flowers that feed and shelter the butterflies. It originates from grass and woodland communities across Australia.



***Eucalyptus* 'Little Boy Blue'**

**Little Boy Blue Eucalypt**

**NSW**

This architectural plant has bold silver-grey foliage that looks stunning in flower arrangements. The leaves give off a delicious peppermint scent when bruised or crushed. Classified as 'Vulnerable' in its natural habitat, this species was also featured in the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne's gold medal-winning Australian Garden at the 2011 RHS Chelsea Flower Show.



***Grevillea* hybrids**

**All states**

A range of modern hybrid Grevilleas with large 'combs' of nectar-rich flowers which attract a diversity of birds and beasts. The genus *Grevillea* is probably the most popular and widely cultivated of all of Australia's plant genera. Cultivars used in the Essence of Australia include 'Yellow Moonlight', 'Coastal Sunset', 'Pink Princess' (pictured), and 'Bronze Rambler'.



***Swainsona formosa***

**Sturt's Desert Pea**

**All states except Vic**

Native to the inland arid regions of Australia, the trailing grey foliage is a lush background for the superb red and black flowers. The official floral emblem of South Australia, the glossy black dome in the middle is known as "the boss".



***Xanthorrhoea johnsonii***

**Johnson's Grass Tree**

**NSW & Qld**

An attractive, slow-growing plant from Queensland and northern New South Wales. These plants may only grow 1cm taller per year but will live for hundreds of years.

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