


## SMALL GARDEN/UNDERSTOREY PACK

Welcome to our small garden/understorey pack as an introduction to a small sample of native plants to encourage small native birds and insects into your garden. Additional information can be found on the Woolshed Thurgoona Landcare Group website. Please enjoy

	<p><b>Acacia acinacea                      Gold-dust Wattle</b></p> <p><b>Wildlife:</b> Good habitat. Flowers, nectar and pollen source for many native beetles, moths, butterflies and bees. Insect-eating birds attracted. Seeds eaten by birds including parrots, native pigeons and ants.</p> <p><b>Ornamental:</b> Fast growing hardy, small to medium evergreen, open foliage suits low maintenance garden. Dry or moist well drained gravels or sandy soils, adapts well to clay. Full or partial sun. Attractive for hedges, screens, rock gardens, under trees. Prune lightly after flowering promotes bushiness. Self-seeds in garden. Flowers Aug-Oct masses of golden flower balls.</p>
	<p><b>Grevillea lanigera                      Woolly Grevillea</b></p> <p><b>Wildlife:</b> Good habitat. Flowers attract nectar-feeding and insect eating birds, particularly honeyeaters. Food source for native bees, moths and butterflies. Foliage is good refuge and nesting sites for small birds, particularly honeyeaters.</p> <p><b>Ornamental:</b> Attractive spreading evergreen hardy shrub for the low maintenance garden. Prefers well drained soil and an occasional pruning to promote bushiness. Drought resistant, will tolerate light frosts and full sun or semi-shade Feed with a low phosphorus fertiliser in spring. Enhance flowering and vigour by occasional and thorough summer watering.</p>
	<p><b>Westringia fruticosa (blue)      Coastal Rosemary</b></p> <p><b>Attracts Wildlife :</b> Bees, butterflies . It has small mauve flowers in spring which attract butterflies and native bees.</p> <p><b>Ornamental:</b> A tough, small evergreen perennial for low maintenance garden, courtyard, pots. Tolerates light frost, drought resistant. Prefers a sunny to light shade position, dry, well drained soils. The soft blue-green foliage responds well to pruning. An excellent hedge. Flowers in spring. A very tough plant which does well on a wide range of soil types – sandy, clay, sandy loam, clay loam. as it is naturally dense growing</p>
	<p><b>Poa labillardieri                      Common Tussock Grass</b></p> <p><b>Wildlife:</b> Good habitat. Useful refuge for small native birds and small lizards. Important habitat for insects, including butterflies. Seeds are a food source for native birds (eg Red rump parrots) and caterpillars. Nesting material for birds.</p> <p><b>Ornamental:</b> Tussock forming perennial grass with ornamental needle-like blue/grey foliage. Ideal for Low maintenance garden. Plant in groups for best effect. Rejuvenate old plants by cutting back severely or burning. Water heavily afterwards to encourage growth. Prefers a sunny, light shade position in sandy loam. Drought resistant, light frost tolerant.</p>
	<p><b>Callistemon pityoides                      Alpine Bottlebrush</b></p> <p><b>Wildlife:</b> Blooms are a copious source of nectar for small birds. Attracts bees, butterflies and other insects.</p> <p><b>Ornamental:</b> Fast growing attractive bushy evergreen shrub with silvery grey growth and prolific long lasting creamy yellow flowers, Oct-Feb. Useful low-level cover in windbreaks and controlling gully erosion. Easily grown in moist well-drained soils in full sun to part shade. Tolerates frost and drought but performs best with regular watering. Tip prune when young to promote bushy growth.</p>