



Detailed Tree List

Acacia siberiana var. woodii

Paper Bark/Papierbas

Tree with wide, flat, spreading crown, and cork-like grey-yellow bark. White to light yellow flowers in summer. Deciduous. Semi-hardy. Sun

Apodytes dimitida

White Pear/Witpeer

A small, bushy tree with small, white fragrant flowers (October to April) and small black berry-like fruit (December to June). This hardy tree is useful for screening.

Brachylaeana discolor

Coastal Silver Oak/Kusvaalbos

Fast growing tree with dark green leaves, silver on the reverse. Creamy-white flowers in spring. Ideal for coastal gardens. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun.

Buddleja saligna

False Olive

Shrub to small tree with dark green leaves. White to creamy, honey-scented flowers in spring. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun.

Buddleja salviifolia

Sagewood

Shrub to small tree with grey-green leaves. White to lilac or purple flowers with dark orange throat in spring. Sweetly scented. Evergreen. Semi-hardy. Sun to semi shade.

Celtis africana

White Stinkwood

Popular shade tree with wide crown. Grey, smooth trunk. Hairy, medium green leaves. Deciduous. Hardy. Sun.

Celtis sinensis (E)

Chinese Stinkwood

Popular shade tree. Glossy green leaves. Hardy and fast growing.

Calodendron capense

Cape Chestnut

Medium to large trees. Beautiful, evergreen garden subjects with a brown capsule fruit and large, striking white to pale pink flowers (October to December)

Canthium inerme

Common Turkey Berry

A small tree or shrub, with small greenish flowers in spring, followed by brownish fruit. Attracts birds, especially loeries. Drought resistant. Evergreen. Semi Hardy.

Carissa macrocarpa

Big Num-Num

Densely twigged spiny shrub or small tree. Excellent coastal specimen. Hardy and wind resistant. Useful for screening. Evergreen. Sun.

Ceratonia siliqua

Carob Tree

Medium sized, evergreen, hardy tree.

Combretum erythrophyllum

River Bushwillow

A popular fast growing small to large shade tree with leaves that turn reddish in autumn. Frost resistant. Deciduous. Hardy. Sun.

Combretum krausii

Forest Bushwillow

A medium to large tree with glossy green leaves that turn reddish in autumn. Semi deciduous to deciduous. Semi hardy. Sun.

- Cunonia capensis*** **Red Alder/Rooiels**
Fast growing tree with dark green, glossy leaves. New growth is bronze coloured. White flowers. Grows well near water. Evergreen. Tender.
- Curtisia dentata*** **Assegaai**
Fast growing medium to large tree with leathery, toothed leaves. Small inconspicuous cream flowers, followed by white berries. Evergreen. Tender.
- Cussonia spicata*** **Common Cabbage Tree**
Fast growing tree with long, bare, crown and round crown. Large, bright green incised leaves. Evergreen. Frost tender. Sun.
- Dias cotonifolia*** **Pom-pom Tree**
Small tree with clusters of pink flowers in late spring to summer. Semi Deciduous. Tender. Sun.
- Dodonea angustifolia*** **Sand Olive**
Small tree or shrub with shiny, light green leaves. Greenish-yellow flowers followed by a capsule with papery wings, greenish-red in colour. Good coastal specimen. Evergreen. Hardy.
- Dodonea purporea***
- Dombeya rotundifolia*** **Common Wild Pear**
Small ornamental tree with masses of cream-white flowers in spring. Deciduous. Semi Hardy. Sun to semi shade.
- Dovyalis caffra*** **Kei-apple**
Small tree or shrub, with pale green spines and leaves. Edible fruit in summer. Ideal hedge plant. Evergreen. Semi hardy. Sun.
- Erythrina caffra*** **Coastal Coral Tree**
Medium to large tree with rounded to spreading crown. Orange to red flowers with petals curved back to display stamens appear in early spring before new leaves. Flowers attract birds. Deciduous. Tender. Sun
- Ekebergia capensis*** **Cape Ash**
Dark green, glossy leaved, dense tree with spreading crown. Small, creamy-white flowers in spring, followed by red fruit. Semi deciduous. sun
- Ficus natalensis*** **Natal Fig**
Fast growing, large, dark green leaved, dense crowned tree with reddish new growth. Tiny yellow-red fruit attracts birds and bats. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun.
- Ficus rubignosa*** **Port Jackson Fig**
Large, drought resistant, dark green shade tree. Large round crown. Evergreen. Semi hardy. Sun.
- Gardenia thunbergia*** **White gardenia**
Small tree or shrub, with glossy light green leaves and creamy-white, fragrant flowers in spring and summer. Evergreen. Sun.
- Grewia occidentalis*** **Cross-berry**
Scrambling shrub or small tree with beautiful purple, pink or mauve flowers in spring to summer, followed by interesting four-lobed fruit. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun.
- Halleria lucida*** **Tree Fuschia**
Fast growing, bushy tree with glossy green leaves and tubular, brick red and orange flowers in winter and spring. Evergreen. Sun to Shade.
- Harpephyllum caffrum*** **Wild Plum**
Large shade tree with dark green leaves and small white flowers in summer, followed by red, edible fruit. Semi deciduous. Tender.

Kiggelaria Africana**Wild Peach**

Shade tree, with leaves that resemble that of a peach tree, and creamy-white flowers in spring and summer. Yellow-green fruit, with red seed in autumn. Sun. The Wild Peach is a hardy, fast growing pioneer tree useful in rehabilitating disturbed areas.

Kigelia africana**Sausage Tree**

Medium to large tree with rounded crown: occurring in bushveld. Leaves 3-whorled. Leaflets with basal pair much smaller than the more terminal ones, hard, leathery; margin wavy, toothed in young plants. Toxic fruit. Used medically.

Nuxia floribunda**Forest Alder**

Small tree with light green, glossy leaves and fragrant, attractive creamy-white flowers in branched sprays. Evergreen. Semi hardy. Sun to shade.

Olea europea subsp. Africana**Wild Olive**

Slow growing tree, with fine dull grey-green leaves. Bears black fruit in summer. Drought resistant. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun

Pittosporum viridiflorum**Cheesewood/Kasuur**

Small to medium-sized evergreen tree, deciduous or evergreen, naturally occurring along forest margins, in bush clumps, and in bushveld, often on rocky outcrops. Hardy. Bark smells of liquorice, bitter tasting, used medicinally. Seeds attract birds.

Podocarpus falcatus**Outeniqua Yellowwood**

Medium to large evergreen tree, occurring mainly in afro-montane forest, occasionally in coastal and sand forest. The tallest indigenous forest tree reaching 60m in height.

Podocarpus henkelii**Henkels Yellowwood**

Dark green pyramid shaped tree with glossy, green, lance shaped leaves. Evergreen. Semi hardy. Sun to shade.

Podocarpus latifolius**Real Yellowwood**

Slow growing, dense tree with sharp, pointed leaves. Beautiful garden tree. Evergreen. Semi hardy. Sun to shade.

Podocarpus elongatus**Breede River Yellowwood**

This shrub or small tree is similar to the Real Yellowwood, generally with smaller greyish or bluish green leaves. It occurs in the mountainous areas of the Western Cape, often along streams.

Polygala myrtifolia**September Bush**

Fast growing, free flowering shrub with light green foliage and masses of magenta-pink flowers spring to autumn. Semi hardy. Sun.

Populus simonii**Chinese Poplar**

Fast growing, early leafing tree. Good windbreak. Deciduous. Hardy. Sun.

Portulacaria afra**Spekboom**

Fairly fast growing succulent tree with a glossy red-brown trunk and a dense crown of succulent leaves and stems. Small star-shaped pink flowers in summer. Evergreen. Sun.

Prunus Africana**Red Stinkwood**

Small to large evergreen tree; occurring in montane forest, usually in mist-belt areas. Bark thick, rough, dark brown to almost black. Leaves elliptic. Bark used medically.

Ptaeroxylon obliquum**Sneezeewood**

A neat, well-shaped tree with slow to moderate growth. Yellow flowers in winter. Ideal garden tree. Evergreen or deciduous. Semi hardy.

Quercus ilex**Holly Oak**

Large tree with dark green, holly-like foliage. Evergreen. Hardy.

Quercus nigra**Water Oak**

Slow growing, spreading tree, with beautiful autumn colours. Deciduous. Hardy.

Quercus palustris

Pin Oak

Slow growing shade tree with light green leaves, changing colour to yellow, orange and red in autumn. Deciduous. Hardy. Sun.

Rapanea melanophloes

Cape Beech

Dense tree with greyish bark, dark green leaves, and reddish new growth. Small green-white flowers in winter and spring. Masses of purple fruit in summer to autumn. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun to shade.

Rauvolfia caffra

Quinine Tree

Medium tree with glossy green leaves, light green on the reverse. Fragrant flowers in winter. Evergreen or deciduous. Semi hardy.

Rhamnus prinoides

Dogwood

Scrambling shrub or small tree, with attractive glossy green foliage. Tiny reddish to purple fruit in late summer to autumn. Evergreen. Semi hardy. Sun to semi shade.

Rhus chirindensis

Red Currant

Medium to large tree with attractive trifoliolate leaves, turning red before falling in autumn. Evergreen to deciduous. Hardy. Sun.

Rhus crenata

Dune Crow-berry

Small bushy tree, with berries following insignificant flowers. Good for coastal planting. Evergreen. Sun.

Rhus lancea

Karree

Dense, dark olive-green, fast growing shade tree, with greenish-yellow, scented flowers followed by small, brownish berries. Tolerates calcareous soils. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun.

Rhus leptodictya

Mountain Karree

Bright green tree, with yellow flowers in winter, followed by yellow-brown berries. Evergreen. Semi hardy. Sun.

Rhus pendulina

White Karree

Dense, fast growing tree with a willow-like habit. Wind and drought resistant. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun.

Salix mucronata

Cape Willow

Shrub to large tree with somewhat drooping branches and narrow green leaves. Prefers moist conditions. Evergreen to deciduous. Hardy. Sun.

Salvia Africana – lutea

Beach salvia

Fairly fast growing shrub with soft, grey foliage, and brown flowers. Flowers in winter to summer. Good coastal plant. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun.

Sideroxylon inerme

White milkwood

Large, slow growing dense, spreading tree with small yellow-green flowers in summer and autumn, followed by black berries. Good coastal tree. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun to shade.

Syzigium cordatum

Waterberry

Medium to large tree, with reddish young leaves. Masses of cream-white flowers in spring, followed by purple berries. Best near water. Evergreen. Tender.

Syzigium guineense

Waterpear

A small to large tree with reddish young leaves. This tree has creamy-white, sweetly scented flowers in spring. Evergreen.

Tarconanthus camphoratus

Wild Camphor Bush

Shrub to small tree with dull green to grey-green leaves and creamy white, woolly flowers in autumn. Evergreen. Hardy. Sun to semi shade. Good coastal specimen.

Tecoma capensis

Cape Honeysuckle

Fast growing, glossy leaved shrub, with dark orange/salmon/light orange or yellow flowers in spring and autumn. Drought resistant. Evergreen. Semi hardy. Sun.

Trema orientalis

Pigeonwood/Hophout

Medium size tree. Suitable in moist and dry, sandy environments. A common pioneer tree, one of the first to become established on disturbed soils. This fast-growing, hardy tree is widely planted for the reclamation of soils.

Trichilia dregeana

Forest Mahogany

Large tree with spreading crown, and large, glossy, dark green leaves. Evergreen. Tender.

Trichilia emetica

Natal Mahogany/Rooiessenhout

Dense tree, with round, spreading crown of glossy, dark green foliage. Fragrant cream-yellow flowers in spring. Excellent shade tree. Frost tender.

Uses: shade, timber, bark used for traditional medicine, seeds can be eaten after removal of seed coat.

Vepris lanceolata

White Ironwood

Graceful tree with a gently rounded crown. Leaves are small and light green, with tiny, yellowish flower in summer, followed by black berries. Evergreen. Tender. Sun to shade,

Virgilia oroboides

Blossom Tree/Keurboom

Medium sized tree with a rounded crown. Masses of pale to dark pink flowers in spring to summer. Semi deciduous. Sun to semi shade. The Keurboom is a fast growing pioneer tree, useful in rehabilitating rivers, disturbed areas and land cleared from alien vegetation.

Planting for *coastal tolerance*:

Acacia xanthophlea	Fever Tree
Brachylaena discolor	Coastal Silver Oak
Buddleja saligna	Mock Olive
Cussonia spicata	Cabbage Tree
Dombeya rotundifolia	Wild Pear
Dovyalis caffra	Kei Apple
Ekebergia capensis	Cape Ash
Erythrina caffra	Coastal Coral Tree
Harpephyllum caffrum	Wild Plum
Olea africana	Wild Olive
Sideroxylon inerme	Milkwood
Syzigium cordatum	Waterbessie
Tarconanthus camphorates	Wild Camphor

Planting for *windbreaks and screens*:

Brachylaena discolor	Coastal Silver Oak
Buddleja saligna	Mock Olive
Cunonia capensis	Red Alder/Rooiels
Dodonea angustifolia	Sand Olive
Ficus natalensis	Natal Fig
Halleria lucida	Tree Fuschia
Kiggelaria africana	Wild Peach
Podocarpus latifolius	Yellowwood
Rhus glauca	
Sideroxylon inerme	Milkwood
Syzigium cordatum	Waterbessie
Tarconanthus camphorates	Wild Camphor

Planting for *harsh conditions*:

Acacia karoo	Sweet Thorn
Bauhinia tomentosa	Yellow Bauhinia
Brachylaena discolor	Coastal Silver Oak
Buddleja saligna	Mock Olive
Canthium inerme	Turkey Berry
Cussonia paniculata	Bergkiepersol
Dodonea angustifolia	Sand Olive
Erythrina caffra	Coastal Coral Tree
Euclea natalensis	Natal guarri
Eugenia capensis	Wild Myrtle
Gardenia thunbergia	Wild gardenia
Schotia brachypetala	Weeping boerboon
Rhus lancea	Karree
Carissa macrocarpa	Num-Num (shrub)

Planting for *frost resistance*:

Bauhinia tomentosa	Yellow bauhinia
Calodendron capense	Cape Chestnut
Celtis africana	White Stinkwood
Greyia sutherlandii	Natal Bottlebrush
Rhus spp.	
Schotia spp.	

Planting for clay soil:

Aloe bainesii	
Celtis africana	White Stinkwood
Combretum spp.	
Ficus natalensis	Natal Fig
Phoenix reclinata	
Rapanea melanophloes	Boekenhout
Salix spp.	
Trichelia emetica	Natal Mahogany
Buddleja salvifolia (shrub)	
Carissa macrocarpa (shrub)	

Planting for alkaline soil:

Aloe spp.	
Buddleja salvifolia	

Waterwise planting:

Diospyros whyteana	Bladdernut
Ficus natalensis	Natal Fig
Gardenia thunbergia	Wild gardenia
Greyia sutherlandii	
Halleria lucida	Tree Fuschia
Kiggelaria africana	Wild Peach
Metrosideros angustifolia	
Olea africana	Wild Olive
Phoenix reclinata	
Podocarpus falcatus	Real Yellowwood
Podocarpus henkelii	Henkels Yellowwood
Syzigium cordatum	Waterbessie
Trechilia emetica	Natal mahogany
Carissa macrocarpa (shrub)	Num-num

Scented trees:

Heteropyxis natalensis	Lavender Tree
Nuxia floribunda	Forest elder
Olea africana	Wild Olive
Pittosporum viridiflorum	Cheesewood
Pappea capensis	Indaba Tree

Fast growing trees:

Acacia xanthophlea	Fever Tree
Combretum bracteosum	
Euclea natalensis	
Harpephyllum caffrum	
Indigoferra frutescens	
Kiggelaria africana	
Maytenus heterophylla	
Noltea africana	
Rapanea melanophloes	
Rauvolfia caffra	
Salix mucronata	
Sparmannia africana	
Tarconanthus camphorates	
Virgilia oroboides	Keurboom

Planting to attract birds:

Acacia siberiana woodii
Cassine spp.
Dias cotonifolia
Diospyros whyteana
Dombeya spp.
Halleria lucida
Olea africana
Rhus spp.
Spathodia campanulata
Virgilia oroboides
Tecomaria capensis (shrub)
Aloe spp.

Planting for Pot Plants:

Gardenia thunbergii
Olea africana
Strelitzia nicolai
Trichelia emetica
Cunonia capensis

Planting for rehabilitating rivers and disturbed soils in the Western Cape:

Salix mucronata	Cape Willow	
Ilex Mites	Cape Holly	
Freylinia lanceolata		
Cunonia capensis	Rooi-els	
Kiggelaria africana	Wild Peach	Pioneer Species
Virgilia oroboides	Keurboom	Pioneer Species
Olea africana	Wild Olive	
Halleria lucida/elliptica	Tree Fuschia	
Metrosideros angustifolia		
Curtisia dentata		
Brachylaena neriifolia		
Ficus sur		
Rapanea melanophloes		
Podocarpus latifolius		
Maytenus heterophylla		
Tarconanthus camphorates		
Trema orientalis	Pigeon Wood (Eastern Cape)	