

Townhouse Gardens

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- a useful guide of what to plant where •
- for landscapers and avid gardeners •

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Introduction

Creating a haven for yourself as well as wildlife in a small area can be quite a challenge. The first priority that our customers normally have is to screen out the neighbours and all the concrete or brick walls. Don't be scared to plant your trees close together to create a small forest. We have a long list of small trees that will cope with the winters on the Highveld. Remember too that all the walls of all the buildings will act as a barrier to the cold winds and will absorb the warm winter sun and dissipate the heat during the evenings and the cold winter nights.

Try vertical gardening! My friend in Sydney has a tiny garden enclosed with trellises on which she hangs pots and baskets. On the lower levels, she has pots standing on top of pots. This creates a full, forest effect, which is very interesting.

Magazines are full of ideas to make your garden interesting for you and your visitors, both human and furred / feathered. Water features, birdbaths, bird feeders and nesting logs will attract the birds while stepping stones, pots,

raised beds and planters will add interest and a talking point.

Enjoy yourself as you create your sanctuary.
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EVERGREEN GROUNDCOVERS

Agapanthus nana *Miniature Blue/White Agapanthus*

Evergreen groundcover, (25 - 35cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, white/blue flowers all year, attracts birds - nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. It is impressive in mass planting or borders along flowerbeds and paths.

Agapanthus praecox *Common Agapanthus*

Evergreen groundcover, (1.5 x 0.75m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, white/blue flowers in Summer, attracts birds - nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Clump forming, medicinal uses.

Aloe aculeata *Prickly Aloe aculeata*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), sun, yellow/orange flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Produces 1m rosette of leaves.

Aloe affinis *Common or Graskop Aloe*

Evergreen groundcover, (20 x 40cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, coral red flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Natural habitat destroyed by pine forests.

Aloe cooperi *Cooper's Aloe*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.5 x 1.2m), frost resistant, sun, orange flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, for containers. Grassland specie, beautiful in the garden.

Aloe cryptopoda (wikensii) *Coral Aloe*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), sun, red flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Popular garden plant.

Aloe dyeri *Shade or Dyer's Aloe*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, red flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, for containers. Thrives in shade with tall red inflorescence.

Aloe fosteri *Foster's Aloe*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), sun, yellow/orange flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, for containers. Beautiful show if mass planted.

Aloe greatheadii (Aloe dayvana) *Aloe Davyana*

Evergreen groundcover, (20 x 40cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, orange flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, for containers. Leaf sap used to heal burns, beautiful mass planted.

Aloe mudenensis *Muden's Aloe*

Evergreen groundcover, (50cm x 50cm), drought resistant, fast growing, sun, yellow-red flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect eaters, nectar eaters. Occurs in Northern Natal.

Aloe striata *Coral Aloe*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), drought resistant, fast growing, sun, deep coral flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, for containers. Distinctive coral coloured stripe down the edges of the leaves.

Aloe variegata *Kanniedood*

Evergreen groundcover, (25cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, light to dark coral pink flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Used medicinally for curing sores on fingers. According to old superstitions, if someone transplanted one of these aloes and it dies, that person will die too. Porcupines dig them out of the ground in great numbers.

Aloe verecunda *Modest Aloe*

Evergreen groundcover, (25cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, orange flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Highveld specie occurring in grasslands.

Aloe zebrine

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, sun, pink/dull red flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Medicinal uses, roots used as yellow dye to colour baskets.

Aponogeton distachyos *Waterblommetjie*

Evergreen groundcover, (30cm), fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, for water. Flowers cooked in stews, juice from the leaf for burns and sunburn.

Aptenia cordifolia *Brakvygie*

Evergreen groundcover, (15 x 60cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, pink flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, attracts butterflies. Medicinal, vigorous, fast spreading, prevents soil erosion.

Arctotheca calendula *Cape Weed*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.1 x 0.4), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, yellow flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies. Yellow daisies all year, hardy groundcover, prevents soil erosion, lawn substitute.

Aristea ecklonii *Blue Stars*

Evergreen groundcover, (50 x 25cm), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, blue flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands. Mass plant in semi shade for a dramatic effect, medicinal.

Aristea major *Tall Aristea*

Evergreen groundcover, (1.5m x 1m), blue flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for water. Handsome structural plant.

Asparagus densiflorus mazeppa *Foxtail Fern*

Evergreen groundcover, (25 x 60cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect and fruit eaters, for containers. Lovely mass planted or in hanging baskets, flower arrangements.

Asparagus densiflorus-sprengerii *Basket Asparagus*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.3 x 0.1), fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Bright green groundcover, good for hanging baskets.

Asparagus falcatus *Sickle Thorn*

Evergreen groundcover, (2m), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, for containers. Thrives in dry shade.

Asparagus virgatus *Broom Asparagus*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), drought resistant, fast growing, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, for thorny barriers, containers. Does well under trees, foliage for the vase.

Asystasia gangetica *Creeping Foxglove*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.3 x 0.6), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Spreads rapidly, mass plant, leaves used for spinach.

Becium obovatum *Cat's Whiskers*

Evergreen groundcover, (30cm), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring, attracts butterflies. Occurs in grasslands.

Berula erecta *Toothache Root*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.3 x 0.4), frost resistant, sun, white flowers in Summer, for wetlands, water. Rhizomes used for toothache.

Bulbine abyssinica *Golden Stars*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.3m - 0.6m), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, yellow flowers in Summer. Ideal as a rockery or bedding plant.

Bulbine frutescens *Stalked Bulbine*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.3 x 0.4), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, orange or yellow flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies. Leaf gel has excellent healing properties for relieving stings, burns, rashes and cold sores. Popular with landscapers. Eaten as a relish.

Bulbine natalensis *Broad-Leaved Bulbine*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Summer. Roots are used medicinally and leaves for topical healing.

Carissa green carpet *Small Num-Num*

Evergreen groundcover, (30 x 30cm), semi-shade, fragrant white flowers all year, attracts birds - fruit eaters, for thorny barriers, containers. Favourite of landscapers for mass planting.

Carpobrotus edulis *Sour Fig*

Evergreen groundcover, (15cm x 90cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, pink flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters. Fruits are eaten raw, processed into jam or used in oriental cooking, leaves are medicinal.

Centella asiatica *Pennywort/Waterhearts*

Evergreen groundcover, (15 x 60cm), sun, cream flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, containers. Medicinal - used to treat cancer, to aid the memory. Leaves are eaten as spinach.

Chaetecanthus setiger *Fairy Stars*

Evergreen groundcover, (20cm), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, for containers. Low spreading groundcover with small white flowers.

Chlorophytum bowkeri

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, for wetlands. Lovely mass planted, quite dramatic.

Chlorophytum comosum 'vittatum'

Variegated Hen and Chickens

Evergreen groundcover, (30cm x 30cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, semi-shade, white flowers all year, for containers. Mass plant, medicinal, hanging basket.

Chlorophytum saundersiae

(was Anthericum saundersiae) *Weeping Anthericum*

Evergreen groundcover, (50 x 25cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring, attracts butterflies. Lovely as a mass planting, attracts bumblebees.

Cineraria saxifrage *Wild Cineraria*

Evergreen groundcover, (15 x 40cm), sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Spring-Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies. Soft herb, well drained soil. Good to cover banks.

Clivia miniata *Bush Lily*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.75 x 0.75), shade, semi-shade, orange flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, for containers. Medicinal value.

Crassula expansa *Fragile Crassula*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.5), drought resistant, fast growing, shade, white flowers all year, attracts butterflies, for containers. Spreads quickly and covers well.

Crassula multicava *Fairy Crassula*

Evergreen groundcover, (20 x 30cm), sun, shade, semi-shade, pink flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies. Lovely mass planted under trees.

Crassula ovata *Pink Joy*

Evergreen groundcover, (1.8 x 1.5m), drought resistant, fast growing, sun, pink flowers in Winter, attracts butterflies, for containers. The Khoi ate the roots, lovely show in flower.

Crassula spathulata

Evergreen groundcover, (50cm x 50cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, white flowers all year, for containers. Very fast growing, covers quickly, hanging baskets.

Crinum macowanii *River Lily*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m - 1.2m), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, pink/white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands. Bulb is used medicinally, scented flower, delicate pink, water garden.

Crinum moorei *Moore's Crinum*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, fragrant pink flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, water. Bulb is used medicinally, delicate pink flower, wetland garden.

Cyperus prolifer *Dwarf Papyrus*

Evergreen groundcover, (30cm x 15cm), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, brownish flowers all year, for wetlands, water, containers. Perfect for a small water feature, clump forming.

Cyperus textiles *Emezi Grass*

Evergreen groundcover, (1.5m x 1m), frost resistant, sun, brownish flowers in Summer, attracts aquatic birds, for wetlands, water. Damp to wet soil. Nest material for birds, woven into baskets and mats.

Cyrtomium falcatum *Holly Fern*

Evergreen groundcover, (60 x 60 cm), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, for wetlands. Beautiful fern for a water feature in the shade.

Delosperma rogersii *Mountain Vygie*

Evergreen groundcover, (12cm x 20cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, pink flowers in Summer, for containers. Flat growing carpet of pink, perfect for a townhouse garden, hanging baskets.

Diascia integerrima *Twinspur*

Evergreen groundcover, ('0.3 x 0.4), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, pink and white flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Showy groundcover in shades of white, pink. Good to interplant with Watsonias. Used as a pot herb.

Dierama pendulum *Harebell*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, fast growing, semi-shade, pink flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, water. Attractive planted near a pond.

Dietes bicolor *Yellow Wild Iris*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), frost resistant, sun, yellow flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies. Clump-forming, graceful plant. Prefers a well-watered position.

Dietes grandiflora *Large Wild Iris*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands. Clump-forming, blooms when it rains.

Dietes iridioides

Evergreen groundcover, (30 - 40cm), frost resistant, fast growing, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring-Summer. Clump forming plant, beautiful white flowers with purple marking that close by midday except on overcast days.

Dimorphotheca ecklonis *Blue-and-White Daisy Bush*
(was **Osteospermum ecklonis**)

Evergreen groundcover, (75 x 75cm), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring-Summer, attracts, birds - insect eaters, attracts, butterflies, for containers. White flowers have mauve under the petals and a dark blue centre. Striking in flower. Mass plant for effect.

Dimorphotheca jucundum *Trailing Mauve Daisy*
(was **Osteospermum jucundum**)

Evergreen groundcover, (20 x 60cm), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, pink/purple flowers in Autumn-Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Creeping daisy which covers banks quickly. Striking in flower and pretty cascading over rocks.

Dymondia margaretae *Silver Carpet*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.1 x 0.3), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, yellow flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters. Flat growing suitable for between pavers.

Falckia repens *White Carpet*

Evergreen groundcover, (5cm), fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring, for wetlands, containers. Flat growing, attractive, indigenous "Daisy Lawn".

Felicia amelloides *Blue Felicia*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.5 x 0.5), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, blue flowers all year, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Mass plant for effect.

Felicia amelloides alba *White Felicia*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.5 x 0.5), frost resistant, semi-shade, white flowers all year, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Mass plant for effect.

Felicia amelloides variegata *Variegated Felicia*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.5 x 0.5), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, blue flowers all year, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Mass plant for effect.

Gazania rigens *Trailing Gazania*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.2 x 0.3), drought resistant, fast growing, sun, yellow flowers all year, attracts butterflies, for containers. Roots used as a love charm, mass plant for effect.

Geranium incanum *Lace Leaf Geranium*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.3 x 0.3), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, mauve flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Medicinal value.

Gerbera jamesonii *Barbeton Daisy*

Evergreen groundcover, (40cm), semi-shade, red flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Much loved and famous through out the world.

Hesperantha coccinea *Scarlet River Lily*
(was Schizostylis coccinea pink)

Evergreen groundcover, (50cm x 20cm), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, white, pink or red flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, containers. Looks stunning next to a pond or water feature in damp conditions.

Imperata cylindrica *Cottonwool Grass*

Evergreen groundcover, (1.2m), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring-Summer, attracts birds - seed eaters, for wetlands. Soil stabiliser, thatching, used for paper, fuel and rhizomes eaten.

Kniphofia linearifolia *Common Marsh Poker*

Evergreen groundcover, (1.5m), fast growing, sun, greenish yellow flowers in Autumn, for wetlands. Leaves yellowish to dull green.

Kniphofia pauciflora *Dainty Poker*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), fast growing, sun, yellow flowers in Summer, for wetlands. Lovely small flowers, unusual. Extinct in the wild.

Kniphofia praecox *Red-Hot Poker*

Evergreen groundcover, (1.5 x 1.5m), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, orange/yellow flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, water, containers. Stunning in flower, plant next to a pond or dam.

Kniphofia rooperi *Winter Poker*

Evergreen groundcover, (1.4m), fast growing, sun, orange/yellow flowers in Winter, for wetlands. Medicinal, good garden subject,

Kniphofia uvaria *Marsh Poker*

Evergreen groundcover, (1.5m x 1.5m), fast growing, sun, orange/yellow flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, for wetlands. Similar to *Kniphofia linearifolia* with roundish inflorescens.

Lampranthus sp *Vygies*

Evergreen groundcover, (30cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, all colours, flowers in Spring, attracts butterflies, for containers. Suitable for rockeries and to liven up a pathway.

Lobelia alata

Evergreen groundcover, (20cm), fast growing, semi-shade, blue flowers in Summer, for wetlands, water, containers. Mat-forming survives in water, wetlands and dry conditions.

Lobelia cuneifolia

Evergreen groundcover, (0.2 x 0.2), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, blue/purple flowers in Summer, for containers. Lovely in a hanging basket.

Lobelia flaccida *Wild Lobellia*

Evergreen groundcover, (30cm), fast growing, semi-shade, pale blue flowers in Summer, for wetlands, containers. Used as a pot herb.

Marsellei macrocarpa

Evergreen groundcover, (0.1 x 0.3), sun, for water. Floating fern which covers and provides shade and protection for fish.

Melinus repens *Natal Red Top*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), frost resistant, sun, pinkish flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - seed eaters, attracts mammals, Widespread, common grass which is beautiful in flower. Nesting material for birds.

Mentha longifolia *Wild Spearmint*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, fragrant white flowers in Summer, for wetlands. Many medicinal uses, fragrant leaves.

Nerine filifolia *Grass-Leaved Nerine*

Evergreen groundcover, (25 x 15cm), sun, pink flowers in Autumn, attracts butterflies, for wetlands. Mass plant for effect, flowers for the vase.

Othonna carnosa *Othonna*

Evergreen groundcover, (10cm x 60cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies and insects, for containers. Spreads rapidly, often used by landscapers to cover banks and excellent for mass planting with Aloes.

Plectranthus aliciae (was P.madagascariensis)

Variegated Plectranthus

Evergreen groundcover, (0.15 x 0.4), drought resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Cheerful spreading ground cover, hanging baskets or indoor plant.

Plectranthus ciliatus *Speckled Spurflower*

Evergreen groundcover, (40cm), fast growing, semi-shade, white flowers with purplish dots flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Formerly used to wash sheepskin garments.

Plectranthus neochilus *Lobster Flower*

Evergreen groundcover, (50cm), drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, deep blue and purple flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Purify the air of pollution.

Plectranthus oertendali *Silver-Leaved Spur-Flower*

Evergreen groundcover, (20cm), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. A most attractive plant for mass planting and in hanging baskets.

Plectranthus saccatus *Stoep Jacaranda*

Evergreen groundcover, (80 x 80cm), drought resistant, fast growing, semi-shade, blue flowers in mid-Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Mass plant for effect, plant indoors where it will receive afternoon sunlight.

Plectranthus verticillatus *Gossip or Money Plant*

Evergreen groundcover, (20cm x 50cm), fast growing, semi-shade, white, flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Mass plant in moist shade for effect.

Pteris dentata *Toothed Brake*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, for wetlands, containers. The toothed lobes fold inwards, pretty at a water feature.

Pteris vittata *Banded Fern*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), fast growing, semi-shade, for wetlands, containers. Lovely under trees but water frequently.

Rumohra adiantiformis *Knysna Fern*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), fast growing, semi-shade, for wetlands, containers. Water frequently, fronds used by florists.

Scabiosa africana *Pincushion*

Evergreen groundcover, (30 x 30cm), sun, semi-shade, mauve flowers in Spring and Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for water. Low bushing delicate foliage, good groundcover.

Schoenoplectis corymbosis

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), frost resistant, sun, brownish flowers in Summer, for wetlands. Used for weaving sleeping mats.

Selago corymbosa *Bitterblombos*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer. Plant in mixed border, cut back after flowering.

Senecio macroglossus *Flowering Ivy*

Evergreen groundcover, (3m x 1.5m), fast growing, sun, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Grown in Europe since 1875, lovely climber.

Setaria megaphylla *Broad-Leaved Bristle Grass*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - seed eaters and aquatic birds, attracts butterflies, mammals, for wetlands. Eaten by dogs and antelope.

Stachys aethiopica *Wild Sage*

Evergreen groundcover, (30 x 50cm), fast growing, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring-Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies. Medicinal, visited by bees, aromatic leaves.

Stapelia gigantea *Carrion Flower*

Evergreen groundcover, (30cm x 30cm), semi-shade, star-shaped white flowers in Summer. Medicinal, attracts flies, plant near rocks for interest.

Sutera cordata *Wild Phlox*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.2 x 0.2), frost resistant, shade, semi-shade, white flowers all year.

Tulbaghia violacea *Wild Garlic*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.4 x 0.2), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, mauve flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies. Snake repellent and many traditional uses. Leaves eaten as a relish or a pot herb.

Tulbaghia violacea 'silver lace' *Variegated Tulbaghia*

Evergreen groundcover, (0.4 x 0.2), frost resistant, sun, mauve flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Snake repellent and many traditional uses. Interesting variegated leaves.

Wachendorfia thrysiflora *Blood Root*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m x 1m), sun, yellow flowers in Summer, for wetlands, water. Very pretty in flower, found in swamps and on stream banks.

Zantedeschia aethiopica *White Arum Lily*

Evergreen groundcover, (1.5 x 1), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring, attracts birds - fruit eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, water, containers. Medicinal value, tuber eaten, leaves produce a yellow dye. Used as a cooking vegetable.

Zantedeschia green goddess *Green Arum*

Evergreen groundcover, (1m), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, green flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, containers. Eye-catching and dramatic.

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DECIDUOUS GROUNDCOVERS

Agapanthus inapertus *Drooping Agapanthus*

Deciduous groundcover, (1m -1.2m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, blue flowers in Summer, attracts birds - nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. It occurs naturally in very cold grasslands and makes a good garden subject.

Ammocharis coranica *Seeroogblom*

Deciduous groundcover, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, fragrant pink flowers in Summer. Excellent for dry spots and rockeries.

Boophane disticha *Tumbleweed*

Deciduous groundcover, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, red flowers in Spring, for containers. Twisted fan shaped leaves are distinctive, medicinal, poisonous and is a protected plant.

Crinum bulbispermum *Orange River Lily*

Deciduous groundcover, (1 x 1), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, pink flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands. Sweetly scented. Dramatic in flower; medicinal, water garden.

Crinum campanulatum *Water Crinum*

Deciduous groundcover, (40cm), sun, pinkish flowers in Spring, for wetlands and water gardens. Leave in the pond during Summer and remove from the water in Winter to prevent the bulb from rotting.

Crinum graminicola *Grass Crinum*

Deciduous groundcover, (40cm), sun, pink flowers in Summer, for wetlands. Highveld specie, worth searching for.

Crocasmia aurea *Falling Stars*

Deciduous groundcover, (1 x 0.3), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, orange flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, mammals, for wetlands, containers. Medicinal, stunning in flower, good for the vase.

Cyrtanthus mackenii *Ifafa Lilly*

Deciduous groundcover, (15 - 20cm), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, pink, yellow and orange flowers in Winter. Used as a protective charm.

Dierama medium *Medium Harebell*

Deciduous groundcover, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, sun, pink flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for wetlands. Burning in winter promotes flowering.

Digitaria eriantha *Common Finger Grass*

Deciduous groundcover, (1.8m), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, brownish flowers in Summer, attracts birds - seed eaters, attracts mammals. Controls soil erosion, palatable.

Drimiopsis maculate *Spotted-Leaved Drimiopsis*

Deciduous groundcover, (25 cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring, for containers. Medicinal, indoor plant.

Eragrostis curvula *Weeping Love Grass*

Deciduous groundcover, (1.2m), frost resistant, sun, brownish flowers in Summer, attracts mammals. Pasture grass, prevents soil erosion.

Eucomis autumnalis *Pineapple Flower*

Deciduous groundcover, (0.75x 0.75), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, yellow/green flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Many medicinal uses, lovely flower for the vase.

Gladiolus dalenii *Gladiolus*

Deciduous groundcover, (20 - 80cm), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, orange flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, for containers. Bush pigs eat the corms, rope made from the leaves, medicinal value.

Gloriosa superba *Flame Lily*

Deciduous groundcover, (1.5m x 1m), fast growing, semi-shade, yellow and orange flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters. Climbs up shrubs, pretty in flower, medicinal. Poisonous seeds.

Haemanthus albiflos *Dappled Snowbrush*

Deciduous groundcover, (30 x 40cm), shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Autumn, attracts butterflies. Medicinal, mass plant under trees.

Haemanthus humilis *Rabbit's Ears*

Deciduous groundcover, (30 x 40cm), semi-shade, pink flowers in Summer. Medicinal.

Hypoxis hemerocallidea *Star Flower*

Deciduous groundcover, (50 x 50cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, yellow flowers in Spring-Summer, attracts butterflies, for containers. Popular medicinal plant, leaves produce a black dye.

Imperata cylindrica 'red baron' *Japanese Blood Grass*

Deciduous groundcover, (30 x 45cm), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, attracts birds - seed eaters, for wetlands. Green red foliage that turns red from mid Summer to mid Winter. Highly sought after ornamental grass.

Merwillia plumbea (was Scilla natalensis) *Blue Squill*

Deciduous groundcover, (50 x 20cm), frost resistant, sun, semi-shade, misty blue flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts, butterflies. Medicinal value.

Panicum maximum *Guinea Grass*

Semi-Deciduous groundcover, (75cm to 1m), drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, attracts birds - seed eaters, for wetlands. Delicate flowering stems with creamy coloured seeds. Clump forming grass. A must in a bird garden with ponds and grassland.

Scadoxus multiflorus subsp. Katharinae *Katherine Wheel*

Deciduous groundcover, (50 x 30cm), semi-shade, dark pink flowers in Spring, attracts birds - fruit eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Used to make love charms.

Scadoxus puniceus *Paintbrush*

Deciduous groundcover, (0.5 x 0.3), frost resistant, drought resistant, shade, semi-shade, red flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, for containers. Beautiful mass planted under trees, red seeds follow, poisonous bulb, medicinal.

Tulbaghia fragrans *Fragrant Wild Garlic*

Deciduous groundcover, (0.4 x 0.2), frost resistant, fast growing, semi-shade, fragrant mauve flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. It does not smell of garlic and is scented.

Veltheimia bracteata *Bush Lily*

Deciduous groundcover, (0.4 x 0.4), shade, semi-shade, pink flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Flowers last for a month.

Zantedeschia albomaculata *Arrow-Leaved Arum*

Deciduous groundcover, (40 - 50cm), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, white/pale yellow flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, containers. Medicinal value, used as a cooking vegetable.

Zantedeschia pentlandii *Yellow Arum*

Deciduous groundcover, (40 - 50cm), fast growing, sun, yellow flowers in mid-Summer, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, containers. Yellow arum grows in full sun.

Zantedeschia rehmanni *Pink Arum*

Deciduous groundcover, (45 x 20cm), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, pink flowers in Summer, attracts birds - fruit eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, containers. Grassland specie flowers last well in the vase.

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EVERGREEN SHRUBS

Aloe ferox *Bitter Aloe*

Evergreen shrub, (3m x 1m), fast growing, sun, orange flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Single-stemmed. Beautiful orange-red flowers. Healing sap. Exported for medicine trade.

Aloe globuligemma *Knoppiesalwyn*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, red-white flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening, thorny barriers, containers. Beautiful bluish leaves and striking flowers.

Aloe marlothii *Mountain Aloe* SA Tree No. 29.5

Evergreen shrub, (3m x 1m), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, orange flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, for containers. Striking single stem, roots produce dye, children suck nectar from the flowers.

Aloe speciosa *Tilt-Head or Spanish Aloe*

Evergreen shrub, (3m), drought resistant, sun, pink flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, for containers. Leaves produce pink dye, stunning in flower.

Aloe thraskii *Dune Aloe*

Evergreen shrub, (2m - 4m), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, yellow/orange flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect eaters, nectar eaters. Beautiful, single-stemmed.

Anisodonteia classic cerise *Pink Mallow*

Evergreen shrub, (1.8 x 1.8m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, pink flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies. Survives normal winter drought. Lovely in a garden.

Artemesia afra *Wilde Als or Wormwood*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, sun, white flowers in Spring. Oldest and best known medicinal plant, essential oil distilled.

Barleria obtuse *Bush Violet*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, mauve flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, mammals, for containers. Cut back after flowering.

Barleria repens purple prince *Bush Violet*

Evergreen shrub, (1 x 1), frost resistant, drought resistant, shade, semi-shade, purple flowers in Autumn, attracts butterflies, for containers. Mass plant under trees, informal borders, prune back after flowering.

Brilliantasia subulgorica *Giant Salvia*

Evergreen shrub, (2m x 2m), fast growing, semi-shade, purple flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies. Stunning in flower, but is frost tender and needs to be pruned in Winter.

Chondropetalum tectorum *Cape Thatching Reed*

Evergreen shrub, (2.5 x 1.5m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, dark brown flowers in Summer, for wetlands, containers. Used for making brooms and for thatching roofs.

Chrysanthemoides monilifera *Bush Tick Berry*

Evergreen shrub, (2 x 2.5), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, attracts butterflies, non-aggressive roots. Fruits are eaten by children, medicinal uses.

Coleonema album *White Confetti Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 0,75m), frost resistant, sun, white flowers in Winter-Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters. Wind resistant, medicinal.

Coleonema pulchellum *Dark Pink Confetti Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (1.5m x 1.5), frost resistant, sun, semi-shade, pink flowers in Winter-Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, for hedging/screening. Wind resistant, suitable for Coastal gardens.

Cotyledon orbiculata *Pig's Ears*

Evergreen shrub, (20 x 30cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, pink flowers in Spring, attracts butterflies, for containers. Medicinal uses for toothache and earache, grey leaves are distinctive.

Cyperus alternifolius *Sedge*

Evergreen shrub, (1m), fast growing, sun, green flowers in Summer, for wetlands, water, containers. Similar to Cyprus textiles, used to make baskets, twine and mats.

Cyperus papyrus *Papyrus*

Evergreen shrub, (2m x 1m), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, brownish flowers all year, for wetlands, water. In Botswana they use dried split stems to make mats, tropical looking.

Dyschoriste rogersii *Blue Joy*

Evergreen shrub, (50 x 50cm), fast growing, sun, blue flowers in Spring-Autumn, attracts butterflies. Mass plant in an informal border.

Dyschoriste sp nova

Evergreen shrub, (30 x 60cm), frost resistant, sun, semi-shade, pale pink flowers almost all year, for containers. Beautiful in flower and mass planted.

Dyschoriste thunbergiiflora *Purple Bells*

Evergreen shrub, (1.7 x 1.7m), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, violet-pink flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, for containers. Striking flowers, looks lovely next to a water feature or pond.

Encephalartos ferox *Tongaland Cycad*

Evergreen shrub, (1.5m x 1.5m), frost resistant, shade, semi-shade. Needs shade and plenty of water.

Encephalartos villosus *Ground Cycad*

Evergreen shrub, (2.5m), frost resistant, sun, semi-shade, for containers. Medicinal and magical, considered a lightning conductor.

Eriocephalus africanus *Wild Rosemary*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), fragrant white flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies. Cape Snowbush essential oil produced from this plant, medicinal and culinary value.

Euryops pectinatus *Golden Daisy Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Winter -Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Low maintenance, cheerful addition to a bird garden.

Felicia erigeroides *Wild Michaelmas Daisy*

Evergreen shrub, (0.3 x 0.5), frost resistant, sun, semi-shade, pink flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Attracts nectar feeding insects.

Freylinia tropica *Blue Honeybell Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (1 x 1.5), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, blue/white flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening, containers. Undemanding plant that is great pruned as a formal hedge.

Gomphostigma virgatum *Otterbush*

Evergreen shrub, (1 x 1m), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, fragrant white flowers all year, attracts butterflies, for wetlands. Medicinally used to perk up tired people.

Helichrysum petiolare *Imphepho*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), frost resistant, sun, white flowers in Spring, attracts butterflies, for containers. Beautiful grey foliage, medicinal and magical.

Hibiscus calyphyllus *Sun Hibiscus*

Evergreen shrub, (1.5m x 1.5m), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Focal point in a small garden, or mass plant in a large area.

Hibiscus penduncularis *Pink Hibiscus*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), semi-shade, pink flowers in Summer. Very pretty flower, plant at the back of a bed as it can become leggy.

Hypoestes aristata *Ribbon Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (1.5 x 1), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, white/mauve flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies. Flowers profusely when nothing else is in flower. Undemanding, prune back at the end of Winter.

Impatiens hochstetteri *Mauve Impatiens*

Evergreen shrub, (20 x 20cm), shade, semi-shade, mauve flowers in Summer, for wetlands. Plant near a pond in dappled shade.

Impatiens sylvicola *Salmon Impatiens*

Evergreen shrub, (20 x 20cm), shade, semi-shade, pink/cerise flowers in mid-Summer, for wetlands. Plant near a pond in dappled shade.

Jasminum angulare *Wild Jasmine*

Evergreen shrub, (7m), fragrant white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - creepers are used as nesting sites. Fresh leaves poison sheep and cattle.

Juncus effuses *Common Rush*

Evergreen shrub, (70 x 30cm), frost resistant, sun, brownish flowers in Summer, attracts birds - seed eaters, attracts butterflies, for water. It is used for sleeping and sitting mats.

Juncus krausii *Matting Rush*

Evergreen shrub, (1.5m x 1.5m), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, brownish flowers in Summer, for wetlands. Stems are woven into sleeping mats.

Justicia capensis *Businessman's Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, mauve flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies. Traditionally used to attract business.

Justicia petiolaris *Blue Justicia*

Evergreen shrub, (0.1m - 1m), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, blue/mauve flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies. Unusual flowers.

Leonotis leonurus *Wild Dagga*

Evergreen shrub, (2 x 1.5), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, orange flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies. Medicinal plant, a must for a bird garden, cut back after Winter.

Melianthus major *Giant Honey Flower*

Evergreen shrub, (2.5 x 3.5), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, shade, semi-shade, red flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands. Lush looking blue green leaves, very dramatic in flower, medicinal uses.

Metarungia longistrobis *Sunbird Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (1.2m x 1m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, orange flowers in Summer, attracts birds - dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, for containers. Unusual in flower and loved by the sunbirds and butterflies, undemanding.

Orthosiphon labiatus *Pink Sage*

Evergreen shrub, (1.5 x 1.5), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, mauve flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Stunning in flower. Mass plant for effect.

Phygelius aequalis *River Bells*

Evergreen shrub, (2m), frost resistant, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands. Useful next to a pond.

Phygelius capensis *Cape Fuchsia*

Evergreen shrub, (1 x 0.5), frost resistant, shade, semi-shade, red flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for wetlands. Useful next to a pond.

Plectranthus ecklonii *Large Spurflower Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (1.5 x 1.5), drought resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, white, blue or mauve flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Lovely if mass planted at the back of a bed, traditional medicine.

Plectranthus fruticosus *Forest Spurflower*

Evergreen shrub, (1.25 x 0.5m), drought resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, pink/purple flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for water, containers. Rub the stems on a windowsill to repel flies, showy if mass planted.

Plectranthus fruticosus-james *Pink Fly Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (1 x 0.5), drought resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, pink flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Mass plant under trees, cut back after flowering.

Plectranthus mona lavender

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, mauve flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Very attractive.

Plectranthus zuluensis *Zulu Spur-Flower*

Evergreen shrub, (2m), fast growing, shade, semi-shade, mauve flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Very pretty blue, lovely in pots in the shade.

Plumbago auriculata *Cape Leadwort*

Evergreen shrub, (medium), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, blue flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, creepers are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening, containers. Roots and leaves for headache, prunes well, favourite.

Plumbago auriculata alba

Evergreen shrub, (medium), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening, containers. Roots and leaves for headache, prunes well, favourite.

Podalyria calyptrate *Sweetpea Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (3m x 3m), fast growing, sun, sweetly scented, mauve flowers in Spring, attracts butterflies. Attractive grey foliage, useful in a mixed border.

Polygala fruticosa *Heart-Leaved Polygala*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, pink flowers in Autumn. Medicinal.

Polygala virgata *Purple Broom*

Evergreen shrub, (2 x 1), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, purple flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies. Medicinal, plant at the back of a bed for height.

Psychotria capensis *Black Birdberry* SA Tree No. 723

Evergreen shrub, (small), sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Wood utilised as timber, traditional medicine.

Salvia africana lutea *Brown Salvia*

Evergreen shrub, (1.8m x 1.8m), drought resistant, sun, yellow, orange, brown flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, nectar eaters. Pretty grey foliage, suitable for a coastal garden.

Salvia chamelaeagnea *Blue Salvia*

Evergreen shrub, (1m x 1m), sun, semi-shade, pale blue flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies. Mass plant for effect.

Sansevieria trifasciata *Mother-in-Law's-Tongue*

Evergreen shrub, (1m), semi-shade, for containers. Mass plant for a dramatic effect. Many medicinal uses.

Senecio barbetonicus *Succulent Bush Senecio*

Evergreen shrub, (2m), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Spring, attracts mammals. Useful succulent in a garden.

Senecio tamoides *Canary Creeper*

Evergreen shrub, (5m), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, fragrant, yellow flowers in Autumn, attracts butterflies. Medicinal, lovely climbing trees or a trellis.

Strelitzia reginae *Crane Flower*

Evergreen shrub, (1.2m x 1.2m), sun, semi-shade, orange and blue flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. This shrub is one of South Africa's most successful exports!

Sutherlandia frutescens *Cancer Bush*

Evergreen shrub, (1.25m x 1m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, bright orange flowers in Winter-Summer, attracts butterflies, for containers. Trials underway for this important medicinal plant.

Tecoma capensis *Cape Honeysuckle*

Evergreen shrub, (2 x 3m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, orange flowers in Spring and Summer, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, creepers are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies and insects, for hedging/screening, containers. Beautiful bright green foliage, edible fruit. A must for a bird garden. Prune back in Winter. Medicinal uses.

Tephrosia grandiflora *Pink Bush Pea*

Evergreen shrub, (0.3 - 1.5m), sun, pink flowers all year, attracts butterflies. Medicinal, fish poison and potential natural insecticide.

Thunbergia alata *Black-Eyed Susan*

Evergreen shrub, (2m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, orange flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers. Popular throughout the world.

Thunbergia natalensis *Natal Bluebell*

Evergreen shrub, (1 x 1), drought resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, blue flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies. Traditional remedy for a happy marriage, stems eaten by mice.

Watsonia pillansii *Watsonia*

Evergreen shrub, (1.2m x 20cm), sun, pale orange flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers. Popular cut flower, tall spikes.

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DECIDUOUS SHRUBS

Cerototheca triloba *Wild Foxglove*

Deciduous shrub, (1m), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, mauve flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies. Visited by bees, medicinal.

Clematis bractiata *Traveller's Joy*

Deciduous shrub, (2m), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, creepers are used as nesting sites. Lovely climber, pretty in flower and seed. Medicinal and a good luck charm.

Cyphostemma lanigerum *Wildedruif*

Deciduous shrub, (2m), frost resistant, drought resistant, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Spring, attracts birds - berry and fruit eaters. Highveld special, pretty in fruit.

Erythrina zeheri *Ploughbreaker*

Deciduous shrub, (60cm), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, red flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters. Good luck charm for barren women, seeds used for necklaces.

Grewia robusta *Karoo Cross-Berry*

Deciduous shrub, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, pink flowers in Winter-Summer, attracts mammals. Suitable for a game farm.

Gunnera purpensa *Wild Rhubarb*

Deciduous shrub, (1m), frost resistant, sun, red flowers in Spring, for wetlands, water. Stems and roots peeled and eaten, medicinal value, attractive foliage.

Jasminum multipartitum *Starry Wild Jasmine*

Deciduous shrub, (2m x 2m), sun, fragrant white/pink flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, creepers are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies. Plant on a trellis at the patio.

Leonotis dubia *Forest Leonotis*

Deciduous shrub, (2m x 1.5m), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, orange flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - nectar eaters, attracts butterflies. Medicinal value.

Nymphoides indica *Water Lily*

Deciduous shrub, (30 x 80cm), fast growing, sun, yellow flowers in Summer, for water. It is suitable for ornamental ponds and dams.

Rhoicissus digitata *Baboon Grape*

Deciduous shrub, (3m x 1.5m), sun, yellow/green flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, attracts butterflies. Cover a trellis or use in a hanging basket. Has 3 to 5 long leaves resembling fingers.

Rhoicissus tridentate *Bushman's Grape*

Deciduous shrub, (3m x 1.5m), sun, yellow/green flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, attracts butterflies. Cover a trellis or use in a hanging basket.

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EVERGREEN TREES

Acokanthera oppositifolia *Bushman's Poison*

SA Tree No. 639

Evergreen tree, (small), sun, white flowers in Spring, attracts birds - fruit eaters, attracts butterflies, for containers, non-aggressive roots. Contains poisonous milky latex and poisonous berries. Used medicinally.

Aloe barberae (bainesii) *Tree Aloe* SA Tree No. 28

Evergreen tree, (large), frost resistant, sun, semi-shade, orange flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, attracts butterflies, for containers. Largest of all the Aloes, is an ideal form plant, semi-shade and makes a good container plant.

Apodytes dimidiata *White Pear/Bird's-Eye* SA Tree No. 422

Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, fragrant white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, non-aggressive roots. Leaves boiled as spinach, poles for hut building, fish kraals and furniture.

Bauhinia galpinii *Pride of De Kaap* SA Tree No. 208.2

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, red/orange flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, attracts butterflies, mammals, non-aggressive roots. Baskets, medicinal uses, lovely in flower.

Bauhinia natalensis *Natal Bauhinia* SA Tree No. 208.5

Evergreen tree, (small), sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies. White flowers attract sunbirds and butterflies, grows in poor soil.

Bauhinia tomentosa *Yellow Tree Bauhinia*

SA Tree No. 208.1

Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect and nectar eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, for containers, non-aggressive roots.

Buddleja auriculata *Weeping Sage* SA Tree No. 636.5

Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, fragrant cream flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, nectar eaters, aquatic birds, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening, non-aggressive roots. Graceful, plant near a pond. Leaves used as a tea.

Buddleja saligna *False Olive* SA Tree No. 636

Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, fragrant white flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, used by aquatic birds, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening, containers, bonsai, non-aggressive roots. Most attractive for a small garden, medicinal, hard wood.

Burchellia bubalina *Wild Pomegranate* SA Tree No. 688

Evergreen tree, (small), shade, orange flowers in Spring-Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, for containers. non-aggressive roots. Roots used as a body wash and love charm, hard wood.

Buxus macowanii *Cape Box* SA Tree No. 358

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Evergreen tree, (small), shade, greenish flowers in Spring, for containers. Over exploited for its beautiful wood, very slow growing.

Calpurnia aurea *Wild Laburnum* SA Tree No. 219

Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, yellow flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, for hedging/screening, containers, bonsai, non-aggressive roots. Grown in Europe for hundreds of years, medicinal.

Canthium gilfillanii *Rock Alder* SA Tree No. 710
(was Canthium mundianum)

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, fragrant greenish flowers in Spring. Edible fruit, hard wood used for fencing posts and tools.

Carissa bispinosa *Num-Num* SA Tree No. 640.1

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, attracts butterflies, mammals, non-aggressive roots. Roots used for toothache, edible fruit.

Carissa macrocarpa *Large Num-Num* SA Tree No. 640.3

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Spring-mid-Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, for hedging/screening, thorny barriers, containers, non-aggressive roots. Makes good jam, fruit is highly nutritious, fruit produces pink dye, very attractive.

Cassinopsis ilicifolia *Lemon Thorn* SA Tree No. 420

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts mammals, for hedging/screening, thorny barriers, containers, non-aggressive roots. Spiny, medicinal, edible.

Coddia rudis *Small Bone-Apple* SA Tree No. 689.1

Evergreen tree, (small), sun, white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - fruit eaters, attracts mammals, for containers. Edible fruit, ornamental and very pretty in flower.

Cussonia paniculata *Highveld Cabbage Tree*

SA Tree No. 563.1

Evergreen tree, (small), sun, green flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, attracts butterflies, non-aggressive roots. Thick stem and attractive, drooping grey leaves. The thick tuberous roots are peeled and eaten raw as an emergency food or as a source of water, medicinal.

Cussonia spicata *Common Cabbage Tree* SA Tree No. 564

Evergreen tree, (small), fast growing, sun, green/yellow flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, attracts mammals, aggressive roots. Decorative, lovely form plant with bright green leaves crowded at the tips of the branches.

Deinbollia oblongifolia *Dune Soap-Berry* SA Tree No. 430

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, fast growing, shade, white/cream flowers in Autumn, attracts , attracts mammals, for containers, bonsai, non-aggressive roots. Attractive garden plant, a good container plant for indoors. Traditionally the seeds are used to make soap, the leaves eaten as spinach and the roots used medicinally.

Diospyros simii *Climbing Star-Apple* SA Tree No. 609

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, fast growing, sun, white flowers in Spring, attracts birds - dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites. Edible fruit is orange-brown.

Diospyros whyteana *Bladder-Nut* SA Tree No. 611

Evergreen tree, (small), semi-shade, white/yellow flowers in Winter, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts mammals, for hedging/screening, containers, bonsai, non-aggressive roots. Seeds good substitute for coffee, medicinal, hard wood.

Dodonaea angustifolia *Sand Olive* SA Tree No. 437

Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, yellow flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening, containers. Many medicinal uses, grows easily and prunes well.

Dombeya burgessae *Pink Wild Pear* SA Tree No. 468.1

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, pink flowers in Autumn, attracts mammals. Bark is used for fibre, beautiful as a 'roof' for a patio.

Dovyalis caffra *Kei Apple* SA Tree No. 507

Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, cream flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, for hedging/screening, thorny barriers, containers, bonsai, non-aggressive roots. Fruit is sour, but tasty and used for jelly and jam making, grown worldwide as a hedge.

Dracaena alectrifomis *Large-Leaved Dragon Tree*

SA Tree No. 30.9

Evergreen tree, (small), shade, yellow/white flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies. A lovely foliage plant, can be grown indoors.

Duvernoia adhatodooides *Pistol Bush* SA Tree No. 681
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, shade, semi-shade, white flowers in Autumn-Summer, attracts birds - trees are used for nesting sites, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening. Attractive with dark green leaves and brilliant white flowers.

Ensete ventricosum *African Wild Banana* SA Tree No. 31
Evergreen tree, (small), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, cream flowers in Spring, for containers. Lives about 10 years, then flowers and dies, stems are eaten.

Euclea crispa *Blue Guarri* SA Tree No. 594
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts birds - fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals. Slow growing, roots for brown dye, medicinal.

Freylinia lanceolata *Honeybell Bush* SA Tree No. 670.1
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, yellow flowers all year, attracts aquatic birds, attracts butterflies, for hedging /screening. Quick screen or informal hedge.

Galpinia transvaalica *Transvaal Privet* SA Tree No. 523
Evergreen tree, (small), sun, shade, semi-shade, fragrant white flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, mammals, for hedging/screening, containers, bonsai, non-aggressive roots. Wood is used for turnery, decorative, suitable for a game farm.

Gardenia cornuta *Natal Gardnia* SA Tree No. 690.1
Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, fragrant white flowers in Spring, attracts birds - dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, for hedging/screening, containers. Magical - keeps away evil spirits, medicinal, wood for posts.

Gardenia thunbergia *Starry Gardenia* SA Tree No. 692
Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, fragrant white flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, for containers. Starry gardenia requires acid soil, wood for tools, medicinal.

Gardenia volkensii *Transvaal Gardenia* SA Tree No. 691
Evergreen tree, (small), sun, semi-shade, white flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies, mammals. Wood hard and fine grained, medicinal and magical.

Grewia flavescens *Sandpaper Raisin* SA Tree No. 459.2
Evergreen tree, (small), sun, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts birds - dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts mammals. Found from Kwazulu Natal to Arabia and India.

Halleria elliptica *Wild Fuchsia* SA Tree No. 670
Evergreen tree, (small), sun, semi-shade, red flowers in Autumn, attracts birds - insect eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, for bonsai. Neat garden subject.

Halleria lucida *Tree Fuchsia* SA Tree No. 670.2
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, orange flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, nectar eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, used by aquatic birds, attracts butterflies, mammals, for hedging/screening, non-aggressive roots. Lovely drooping habit, excellent garden subject, medicinal and magical. Edible fruit.

Heteropyxis natalensis *Lavender Tree* SA Tree No. 455
Evergreen tree, (small), sun, semi-shade, white/creamy flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, attracts mammals, for containers, bonsai, non-aggressive roots. Medicinal, leaves as a mouthwash, lovely Autumn foliage.

Hypericum revolutum *Curry Bush* SA Tree No. 484
Evergreen tree, (small), fast growing, sun, shade, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts aquatic birds, for containers. Lovely, graceful plant that smells of curry.

Indigofera frutescens (cylindrica) *River Indigo*
SA Tree No. 225.4
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, sun, semi-shade, pink flowers in Summer, for containers. Popular garden tree, strong wood.

Kraussia floribunda *Kraussia* SA Tree No. 700.1
Evergreen tree, (small), sun, semi-shade, white flowers in mid-summer, attracts butterflies, mammals, non-aggressive roots. Makes good jam. Fruit eaten by people, delicate looking.

Leucosidea sericea *Ouhout* SA Tree No. 145
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, yellow/green flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, used by aquatic birds, attracts butterflies, for wetlands, aggressive roots.

Mackaya bella *Forest Bell Bush* SA Tree No. 681.1
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, shade, semi-shade, mauve flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening, containers. Glossy dark green leaves, occurs along streams, wood used to make fire by friction.

Mundulea sericea *Cork Bush* SA Tree No. 226

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, mauve/purple flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, mammals. Twigs used as toothbrushes. Beautiful bark is used as an insecticide and fish poison, leaves used to bleach hair. Medicinal.

Myrsine africana *Cape Myrtle* SA Tree No. 577.1

Evergreen tree, (small), sun, semi-shade, pink flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, attracts butterflies. It enjoys cold and temperate areas with moderate rainfall.

Nuxia floribunda *Forest Elder* SA Tree No. 634

Evergreen tree, (small), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, fragrant white flowers in Autumn, attracts insect eating birds. Trees are used for nesting sites. Attracts mammals. Non-aggressive roots. Good near pools, plant near a patio.

Ochna serrulata *Mickey Mouse Bush* SA Tree No. 479.1

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, for hedging /screening, containers, bonsai, non-aggressive roots. Decorative small tree, medicinal.

Peddiea africana *Green Flower Tree* SA Tree No. 517

Evergreen tree, (small), fast growing, sun, semi-shade, pale green flowers in Spring-Summer. Poisonous tree, bark used to make rope.

Phyllanthus reticulatus *Potato Bush* SA Tree No. 311

Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Spring, attracts birds - fruit eaters, attracts mammals. Strong smell of potatoes in Spring, medicinal value, fruit produces black dye.

Pittosporum viridiflorum *Cheesewood* SA Tree No. 139
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, sun, semi-shade, cream/yellow flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts mammals, for containers, non-aggressive roots. Bark is medicinal and an aphrodisiac, lovely garden tree.

Polygala myrtifolia *September Bush* SA Tree No. 302.1
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, pink flowers all year, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening, non-aggressive roots. Pretty in flower.

Portulacaria afra *Elephant's Foot* SA Tree No. 104
Evergreen tree, (small), fast growing, sun, fragrant pink flowers in Spring, attracts mammals, for hedging/screening, containers, bonsai. Leaves browsed by game and eaten by children, controls soil erosion.

Rhus crenata *Dune Crow-Berry* SA Tree No. 380.1
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, sun, flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, for hedging/screening.

Rhus leptodictya *Mountain Karee* SA Tree No. 387
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, for hedging/screening, non-aggressive roots. Good shade and street tree.

Rhus lucida *Glossy Currant* SA Tree No. 388.1
Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, sun, yellow flowers in Summer, for hedging/screening. Leaves often orange, strong hard wood.

Rhus pentheri *Crowberry* SA Tree No. 391

Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, yellow/green flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts mammals, non-aggressive roots. Useful tree on a game farm. Edible fruit.

Rothmannia globosa *Bell Gardenia* SA Tree No. 695

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, creamy white flowers in Spring-Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, attracts butterflies, mammals, for containers. Glossy dark green leaves, plant alongside a pond, hard wood.

Scutia myrtina *Cat-Thorn* SA Tree No. 451

Evergreen tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts birds - fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals. Browsed by game, edible fruit, leaves used medicinally.

Vepris lanceolata *White Ironwood* SA Tree No. 261

Evergreen tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters. Trees are used for nesting sites. Attracts butterflies and mammals. Non-aggressive roots. Porcupines eat the bark, medicinal, timber.

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Acacia rehmannaiana *Silky Thorn* SA Tree No. 182

Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, cream flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, for hedging/screening. Attractive grey-green, velvety leaves.

Bolusanthus speciosus *Tree Wisteria* SA Tree No. 222

Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, semi-shade, blue-violet flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, attracts mammals, for containers, bonsai, non-aggressive roots. Graceful tree, the name means '*beautiful*', medicinal, excellent wood.

Clausena anisata *Horsewood* SA Tree No. 265

Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, yellow flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, attracts butterflies, non-aggressive roots. Medicinal and magical, leaves used to flavour curry.

Clerodendrum glabrum *White Cats Whiskers*

SA Tree No. 667

Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, pink flowers in Spring, attracts birds - fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, for hedging/screening, non-aggressive roots. Leaves are rubbed onto hands and face to repel bees when collecting honey, poles for hut building, medicinal.

Clerodendrum myricoides *Blue Cats Whiskers*

SA Tree No. 667.1

Deciduous tree, (small), sun, shade, semi-shade, electric blue to purple flowers in Spring and Summer, attracts butterflies and insects. Edible fruit. Lovely shrubby tree for an informal border, medicinal.

Combretum krausii *Forest Bushwillow* SA Tree No. 540

Deciduous tree, (small), fast growing, sun, green flowers in Spring. Glossy dark green leaves that turn vivid red and purple in Autumn.

Dais cotinifolia *Pompon Tree* SA Tree No. 521

Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, sun, semi-shade, pink/mauve flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, attracts butterflies, non-aggressive roots. Masses of very showy fragrant pink, pom-pom like flowers, bark woven and used for rope.

Diospyros lycioides var guerkei *Transvaal Bluebush*

SA Tree No. 605.2

Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, sun, cream flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, for containers, bonsai, non-aggressive roots. One of the most widely distributed plants in South Africa, roots produce brown dye, medicinal.

Dombeya rotundifolia *Wild Pear* SA Tree No. 471

Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, cream flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, for containers, non-aggressive roots. Fire resistant, upright tree, bark for rope and flowers are a love potion, medicinal.

Ehretia rigida *Puzzle Bush* SA Tree No. 657

Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, fast growing, sun, semi-shade, fragrant lilac flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, for hedging/ screening, thorny barriers, containers, non-aggressive roots. Branches used for bows and fishing baskets, strong wood, medicinal and magical. Edible fruit.

Erythrina humeana *Dwarf Coral Tree* SA Tree No. 243.1

Deciduous tree, (small), red flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, for containers, non-aggressive roots. An attractive and sought-after garden plant, bark and root used medicinally.

Erythrophysa transvaalensis *Transvaal Red Balloon*

SA Tree No. 436.2

Deciduous tree, (small), sun, semi-shade, red flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters. Highveld specie, seeds used as beads.

Grewia occidentalis *Cross-Berry* SA Tree No. 463

Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, sun, pink flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites, attracts butterflies, mammals, non-aggressive roots. Garden must. Edible fruit. Used to make beer. Bark - shampoo prevents grey hair, magical and medicinal.

Greyia sutherlandii *Natal Bottlebrush* SA Tree No. 446

Deciduous tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, red flowers in Summer, attracts butterflies. Interesting, rugged looking, magnificent, brilliant red flowers.

Heteromorpha trifoliata *Parsley Tree* SA Tree No. 568
Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, sun, yellow/green flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, attracts butterflies. Roots and leaves used in traditional medicine.

Pappea capensis *Jacket-Plum* SA Tree No. 433
Deciduous tree, (small), sun, semi-shade, pale green flowers in Summer, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, trees are used for nesting sites, attracts mammals, non-aggressive roots. Good for baldness and ringworm, fruit for jam, seeds for oil, also used to make soap.

Pavetta gardeniifolia *Common Bride's Bush*
SA Tree No. 716
Deciduous tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, semi-shade, fragrant white flowers in Summer, attracts mammals, for containers. Masses of white flowers in December make it a stunning sight, edible fruit.

Rhus dentatea *Nana-Berry* SA Tree No. 381
Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, sun, fragrant, yellow/green flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, dense busy hedges are used as nesting sites. Non-aggressive roots. Edible fruit.

Rhus zeheri *Blue Currant* SA Tree No. 396.1
Deciduous tree, (small), drought resistant, sun, yellow flowers in Summer. Distinctive bluish coloured leaves and shiny bark.

Rotheca myricoides *Blue Cats Whiskers* SA Tree No. 667.1
(was *Clerodendrum myricoides*)
Deciduous tree, (3 to 7m), sun, shade, semi-shade, electric blue to purple flowers in Spring and Summer, attracts butterflies and insects. Edible fruit. Lovely shrubby tree for an informal border, medicinal.

Salix mucronata *Safsaf Willow* SA Tree No. 36

Deciduous tree, (medium), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, yellow flowers in Summer, attracts aquatic birds, butterflies, mammals, for wetlands, aggressive roots. Plant near a pond, medicinal and magical uses.

Tabernaemontanum elegans *Toad Tree* SA Tree No. 644

Deciduous tree, (small), sun, semi-shade, fragrant white flowers in Spring, attracts mammals. Edible fruit, latex for bird lime and stops bleeding, medicinal roots.

Vangueria infausta *Wild Medlar* SA Tree No. 702

Deciduous tree, (small), frost resistant, drought resistant, sun, cream flowers in Spring, attracts birds - insect eaters, fruit eaters, attracts mammals, non-aggressive roots. Fruit is used to distil brandy and is edible, roots medicinal, considered unlucky so the wood is not used.

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