

13. ENVIRONMENTAL WEEDS

Environmental weeds are plants that invade areas of natural bushland. Weeds include both introduced plants and native plants that originally come from other areas of Australia. It is important to ensure these environmental weed species are not used in the landscape of any development as they could escape into the local environment and threaten the health of native bushland areas.

While a number of species have traditionally been used in recent years, these species should be avoided due to issues associated with vermin, safety and the environment.

Further information on weeds can be obtained from the below links

<http://agriculture.vic.gov.au/agriculture/pests-diseases-and-weeds/weeds/a-z-of-weeds>

<http://www.weeds.org.au/vicmap.htm>

WEED SPECIES AND NATIVE ALTERNATIVES

<i>Botanical name</i>	<i>Common Name</i>	<i>Native Alternative</i>
<i>Fraxinus rotundifolia</i>	Desert Ash	<i>Euc. polyanthemos</i>
<i>Schinus molle</i>	Peppercorn	<i>Acacia salicina</i>
<i>Salix spp.</i>	Willow	<i>Callistemon sieberi</i> <i>Acacia dealbata</i> <i>Acacia salicina</i> <i>Geijera parviflora</i>
<i>Acacia baileyana</i>	Cootamundra Wattle	<i>Acacia dealbata</i> <i>Acacia pycnantha</i> <i>Acacia implexa</i>
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Hawthorn	<i>Acacia paradoxa</i> <i>Bursaria spinosa</i>
<i>Cotoneaster divaricata</i>	Cotoneaster	<i>Dodonea viscosa ssp. cuneata</i>
<i>Genista monspessulana</i>	Montpellier Broom	<i>Acacia verniciflua</i> <i>Acacia acinacea</i>
<i>Agapanthus orientalis</i>	Africa Lily	<i>Dianella revoluta</i>
<i>Hedera helix</i>	Ivy	<i>Hardenbergia violacea</i> <i>Einadia nutans</i> <i>Enchylaena tomentosa</i>

OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL WEED SPECIES TO BE AVOIDED

<i>Botanical Name</i>	<i>Common Name</i>
TREES & SHRUBS	
<i>Acacia saligna</i>	Golden Wreath Wattle
<i>Phoenix canariensis</i>	Canary Island Date Palm
<i>Poplar spp.</i>	Poplar
<i>Prunus cerasifera</i>	Cherry Plum
<i>Ligustrum lucidum</i>	Privet
AQUATIC PLANTS	
<i>Nymphaea Mexicana</i>	Yellow Water-lily
<i>Tradescantia albiflora</i>	Wandering Jew
<i>Vinca major</i>	Blue Periwinkle
HERBS AND GRASSES	
<i>Avena fatua</i>	Wild Oat
<i>Chicorium intypus</i>	Chicory
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Fennel
<i>Nassella neesiana</i>	Chilean Needlegrass
<i>Phalaris paradoxa</i>	Phalaris
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	Curlfed Dock

