Plant Information for Use

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Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands

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Information Table for Fruit Trees

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| Plant Type | Planting Time | Soil Type | Water Quality | Spacing | Planting Information | Watering | Pruning |
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| Fig Ht: 2-3 metres Sp: 3-4 metres | Plant from March through to November. Avoid planting from December to February unless a regular watering program can be maintained. | Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam to clay-loam soils are suitable. | TDS of up to 1300mg/litre. | Plant 5 to 6 metres apart if planting in rows or if randomly placed around house yards. | Dig hole, fill with water, remove plant from pot or plastic bag, place in hole and adjust until soil surface of potted plant is level with soil surface in the garden, back fill soil around plant. | Water the plant 3 times a week at approximately 30 litres per watering for the first year after planting. If using drippers (4 lph) install 4 drippers at 1 metre apart on a 4 metre circle of drip pipe around each plant (see fact sheet for layout). | Deciduous plant. Remove excess growth from the middle of the tree in late June and July ie. when the plant is dormant. Also remove suckers from around the base of the plant. |
| Mulberry Ht: 3-4 metres Sp: 3-4 metres | Plant from March through to November. Avoid planting from December to February unless a regular watering program can be maintained. | Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam to clay-loam soils are suitable. | TDS of up to 850mg/litre. | Plant 5 to 6 metres apart if planting in rows or if randomly placed around house yards. | Dig hole, fill with water, remove plant from pot or plastic bag, place in hole and adjust until soil surface of potted plant is level with soil surface in the garden, back fill soil around plant. | Water the plant 3 times a week at approximately 30 litres per watering for the first year after planting. If using drippers (4 lph) install 4 drippers at 1 metre apart on a 4 metre circle of drip pipe around each plant (see fact sheet for layout). | Deciduous plant. Remove excess growth from the middle of the tree in late June and July ie. when the plant is dormant. |
| Orange Ht: 3-4 metres Sp: 4-5 metres | Plant from March through to November. Avoid planting from December to February unless a regular watering program can be maintained. | Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam to clay-loam soils are suitable. | TDS of up to 850mg/litre. | Plant 5 to 6 metres apart if planting in rows or if randomly placed around house yards. | Dig hole, fill with water, remove plant from pot or plastic bag, place in hole and adjust until soil surface of potted plant is level with soil surface in the garden, back fill soil around plant. | Water the plant 3 times a week at approximately 30 litres per watering for the first year after planting. If using drippers (4 lph) install 4 drippers at 1 metre apart on a 4 metre circle of drip pipe around each plant (see fact sheet for layout). | Oranges are evergreen so prune excess growth from the middle of the plant from May to August. Remember that fruiting buds for the next season are on last season's wood so prune appropriately. |
| Mandarin Ht: 2-3 metres Sp: 3-4 metres | Plant from March through to November. Avoid planting from December to February unless a regular watering program can be maintained. | Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam to clay-loam soils are suitable. | TDS of up to 850mg/litre. | Plant 5 to 6 metres apart if planting in rows or if randomly placed around house yards. | Dig hole, fill with water, remove plant from pot or plastic bag, place in hole and adjust until soil surface of potted plant is level with soil surface in the garden, back fill soil around plant. | Water the plant 3 times a week at approximately 30 litres per watering for the first year after planting. If using drippers (4 lph) install 4 drippers at 1 metre apart on a 4 metre circle of drip pipe around each plant (see fact sheet for layout). | Mandarins are evergreen so prune excess growth from the middle of the plant from May to August. Remember that fruiting buds for the next season are on last season's wood so prune appropriately. |
| Grapefruit Ht: 4-5 metres Sp: 4-5 metres | Plant from March through to November. Avoid planting from December to February unless a regular watering program can be maintained. | Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam to clay-loam soils are suitable. | TDS of up to 850mg/litre | Plant 5 to 6 metres apart if planting in rows or if randomly placed around house yards. | Dig hole, fill with water, remove plant from pot or plastic bag, place in hole and adjust until soil surface of potted plant is level with soil surface in the garden, back fill soil around plant. | Water the plant 3 times a week at approximately 30 litres per watering for the first year after planting. If using drippers (4 lph) install 4 drippers at 1 metre apart on a 4 metre circle of drip pipe around each plant (see fact sheet for layout). | Grapefruit are evergreen so prune excess growth from the middle of the plant from May to August. Remember that fruiting buds for the next season are on last season's wood so prune appropriately. |

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| Lemon Ht: 4-5 metres | Plant from March through to November. Avoid planting from December to February unless a regular | Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam to clay-loam soils are suitable. | TDS of up to 850mg/litre. | Plant 5 to 6 metres apart if planting in rows or if randomly placed around house yards. | Dig hole, fill with water, remove plant from pot or plastic bag, place in hole and adjust until soil surface of potted plant is level with soil | Water the plant 3 times a week at approximately 30 litres per watering for the first year after planting. If using drippers (4 lph) install 4 drippers at 1 metre apart on a 4 | Lemons are evergreen so prune excess growth from the middle of the plant from May to August. Remember that fruiting buds for the next |
| Sp: 4-5 metres | watering program can be maintained. | are suitable. | | yarus. | surface in the garden, back fill soil around plant. | metre circle of drip pipe around each plant (see fact sheet for layout). | season are on last season's wood so prune appropriately. |
| Grape | Plant from March through to November. Avoid planting from December to February | Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam to clay-loam soils | TDS of up to 1300mg/litre. | Plant 2 to 3 metres apart if planting in rows or if randomly placed around house | Dig hole, fill with water, remove plant from pot or plastic bag, place in hole and adjust until soil surface of | Water the plant 3 times a week at approximately 15 litres per watering for the first year after planting. If using drippers (4 lph) install 2 | Deciduous plant. Except for sultanas which are rod pruned, spur prune all other vines to 2 to 3 buds in late |
| Sp: 4-5 metres | unless a regular watering program can be maintained. | are suitable. | | yards. | potted plant is level with soil surface in the garden, back fill soil around plant. | drippers at 450 mm each side of the vine on the drip pipe as it passes the plant (see fact sheet for layout). | June and July (see fact sheet for pruning and training grape vines). |
| Pomegranate | Plant from March through to November. Avoid planting from | Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam | TDS of up to 1300mg/litre. | Plant 5 to 6 metres apart if planting in rows or if randomly | Dig hole, fill with water, remove plant from pot or plastic bag, place in hole and | Water the plant 3 times a week at approximately 30 litres per watering for the first year after planting. If | Deciduous plant. Only prune excess wood from the middle of the plant in June or |
| Ht: 2-3 metres Sp: 2-3 metres | December to February unless a regular watering program can be maintained. | to clay-loam soils are suitable. | | placed around house yards. | adjust until soil surface of potted plant is level with soil surface in the garden, back fill soil around plant. | using drippers (4 lph) install 4 drippers at 1 metre apart on a 4 metre circle of drip pipe around each plant (see fact sheet for layout). | July if this is a problem. |
| Peach | Plant from March through to November. Avoid planting from | Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam | TDS of up to 850mg/litre. | Plant 3 to 4 metres apart if planting in rows or if randomly | Dig hole, fill with water, remove plant from pot or plastic bag, place in hole and | Water the plant 3 times a week at approximately 30 litres per watering for the first year after planting. If | Deciduous plant. Only prune excess wood from the middle of the plant in June or |
| Ht: 2-3 metres Sp: 2-3 metres | December to February unless a regular watering program can be maintained. | to clay-loam soils are suitable. | | placed around house yards. | adjust until soil surface of potted plant is level with soil surface in the garden, back fill soil around plant. | using drippers (4 lph) install 4 drippers at 1 metre apart on a 4 metre circle of drip pipe around each plant (see fact sheet for layout). | July if this is a problem. |
| Nectarine | Plant from March through to November. Avoid planting from | Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam | TDS of up to 850mg/litre. | Plant 3 to 4 metres apart if planting in rows or if randomly | Dig hole, fill with water, remove plant from pot or plastic bag, place in hole and | Water the plant 3 times a week at approximately 30 litres per watering for the first year after planting. If | Deciduous plant. Only prune excess wood from the middle of the plant in June or |
| Ht: 2-3 metres Sp: 2-3 metres | December to February unless a regular watering program can be maintained. | to clay-loam soils are suitable. | | placed around house yards. | adjust until soil surface of potted plant is level with soil surface in the garden, back fill soil around plant. | using drippers (4 lph) install 4 drippers at 1 metre apart on a 4 metre circle of drip pipe around each plant (see fact sheet for layout). | July if this is a problem. |

Notes:

Size and Shape: The information in this fact sheet is a guide for those who want to plant fruit trees. The height (Ht) and spread (Sp) will depend on how the trees are shaped when they are pruned. Deciduous fruit trees can be shaped to have a wide spread at ground level thus providing a wind break when they are in full leaf or they can be trained to produce a canopy above head height to provide shade. Grape vines can be grown in many different shapes depending on the type of trellis used in the garden. The size of evergreen fruit trees will be determined by the amount of water they receive. They can be shaped if they have been planted too close to other trees. For further information please contact your local land management office.

Propagation: Fig, mulberry, grape and pomegranate are easy to propagate from cuttings. For further information refer to the fact sheet on Making Deciduous Cuttings. All citrus, peach and nectarine used on the Lands are grafted or budded plants and are purchased from nursery suppliers.

Varieties: Cuttings of fig, mulberry, grape and pomegranate are usually taken from source trees on the Lands. The fig tree at the end of the APY Land Management office is a golden fig named Dianne. It was sourced from CSIRO many years ago and is a popular variety. Black Genoa and Brown Turkey are also good fig varieties. Early varieties of grape are also available from source vines in Alice Springs. Useful varieties include Cardinal (early), Emerald Seedless and Waltham Cross. Remember when purchasing peach and nectarine only buy the "low chill" varieties because the number of chilling hours on fruiting buds on the Lands is far less than in southern regions of Australia.

Citrus varieties usually include both Washington Navel and Valencia orange varieties. Marsh Seedless is a good grapefruit variety while the lemon varieties include Myer and Eureka. Mandarin varieties include Imperial, Emperor and Ellendale.

Shahtoot – King white mulberry is a budded variety which has been used on the Lands since the 1980's and is a great variety to use because it is non staining and dries well on the tree if not picked in the moist fruit stage. This variety of mulberry is purchased from specialized suppliers.

Tree Guards: When fruit trees and vines are planted in gardens on the Lands they will require some protection. In some cases camels, horses and donkeys will cause damage. At other times rabbits may ring-bark young trees. Grasshoppers will attack young plants in some seasons and it will be necessary to cover these trees with shade cloth to protect them.

Comments:

Vegetable crops are high care plants and require attention regularly. Fruit trees and vines are medium care plants while trees and shrubs are usually low care plants. Within each range of plants there are those which require more attention than others. This is the case with fruit trees and vines. Citrus produce fruit in four to five years after planting and they need regular attention because 80 percent of the root system grows within the top 45 centimetres of soil. ie. they are not deep rooted plants. Hence citrus may not be the first choice of fruit trees to plant in a garden. Fig, mulberry and grape are much deeper rooted and survive under harsher conditions. The time required to produce fruit from the time of planting cuttings is only two years which is a much shorter time than for citrus. Hence these types of fruit trees are usually more successful in gardens on the Lands.

Information Table for Trees, Shrubs and Groundcovers

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| Plant Type | Height Range | Botanical Name | Common Name | Description | Uses | Planting & Watering |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| | | Acacia ligulata | Umbrella Bush | Bushy tree with branches to ground level. | Very good for windbreaks. | When planting trees, dig the hole, fill it with water, remove |
| | 5 to 6 metres | Acacia murrayana | Colony Wattle | Graceful tree or small shrub with silver stems. Hardy & fast growing. Short lived but suckers from roots. | Good for shade outside house yards. | |
| | Shorter shade trees | Acacia victorii | Bramble Wattle | Survives in warm dry conditions & as the common name suggests, it is a bramble type short tree or bush. | Good for shade outside house yards. | the tree from the pot, tube or plastic bag |
| | are also suitable for planting on the | Euc. oxymitra | Sharp-capped Mallee | Has a crown of short branches supporting sparse foliage. | Good for shade outside house yards. | and arrange the tree in the hole so the soil |
| | northern side of houses to prevent | Euc. youngiana | Large fruited Mallee | Large, heavy crowned mallee providing good shade. | Good low shade tree for house yards. | surface of the potted tree is level with the |
| | shading of solar panels etc. | Euc. socialis | Red Mallee | Robust mallee which is drought hardy providing average shade. | Good low shade tree for house yards. | soil surface in the garden. Then back |
| | paners etc. | Hakea eyrena | Corkwood | Small contorted tree with corky, dry bark & prickly, green, forked needles. | Decorative tree for house yards. | fill with soil. If drippers (4 lph) are being used, locate them 450 mm each side of the tree. |
| Trees | 8 to 10 metres | Acacia aneura | Mulga | Small shrubby tree with stiff grey-green narrow leaves. | Very good shade tree for house yards. | |
| All trees listed here | | Brachychiton gregorii | Desert Kurrajong | Attractive specimen tree with short trunk & symmetrical form when young. | Good shade tree for use away from the house. | |
| are local to the APY Lands and Central | | Callitris glaucophylla | a Cyprus Pine Leaves green or bluish. Beautiful smelling timber. | | Good shade tree for house yards. | Water each tree with 30 litres of water |
| Australia | | Casuarina decaisneana | Desert Oak | Tall, well-developed tree occurring as scattered individuals or in groups. | Use in outer parts of house yards. | twice a week for the first year. In warmer weather an extra watering per week would be necessary especially if the root ball is small eg. when |
| | | Euc. papuana | Ghost Gum | Large tree with open spreading crown, smooth white bark and bright green leaves. | Good shade tree for use away from the house. | |
| | | Euc. terminalis | Bloodwood | Medium sized tree with interesting tessellated bark & rather dense crown. | Good shade tree. | |
| | | Grevillea striata | Beefwood | Long flat strap like leaves. Wood is hard & splits easily. | Medium type shade tree. | tubestock is used. |
| | | Pittosporum phylliraeoides | Native Willow | Attractive weeping tree with light foliage, smooth grey bark with short rough stocking. Sticky, orange col. fruit. | Provides small amounts of shade. | Do not over water |
| | | Acacia estrophiolata | Ironwood | Large tree with pendulous foliage growing on sandy loam areas. Crown is wide & spreading, very graceful tree. | Unsuitable for planting near houses. | trees during the first year or the root |
| | 15 metres | Euc. camaldulensis | River Red Gum | Very hardy & fast growing. Very heavy branches & wide crown. | Unsuitable for planting near houses. | system will not grow strong & deep. Hand |
| | | Euc. coolabah | Coolabah | Tree with broad spreading crown, rough dark bark with bare upper limbs. Salt tolerant. | Unsuitable for planting in small gardens. | water once trees are established. |

| Plant Type | Height Range | Botanical Name | Common Name | Description | Uses | Planting & Watering | |
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| | | Atriplex vesicaria | Bladder Saltbush | Small shrub with decorative green balls attached to the stems of the plant. | Useful ground cover in house yards. | When planting shrubs, dig the hole, | |
| | 0.5 to 1 metre | Enchylaena tomentosa | Ruby Saltbush | Small bush with fleshy leaves and attractive yellow, orange or red berries. | Useful for shady locations. | fill it with water, remove the shrub | |
| | 0.5 to 1 metre | Eremphila maculata | Spotted Fuchsia | Attractive shrub with dark green leaves with beautiful spotted fuchsia like flowers. | Very hardy flowering plant for house yards. | from the pot, tube or plastic bag and | |
| | | Eremophila macdonnellii | Desert Fuchsia | Small bush with attractive deep purple flowers. | Very hardy flowering plant for house yards. | arrange it in the hole so the soil surface of the potted shrub is | |
| | 1 to 2 metres | Radyera farragei | Native Hibiscus | Rounded spreading shrub. Large rounded leaves. Purple hibiscus-like flowers. Dies back each winter due to frost. | Good for sunny locations where frost is limited. | level with the soil surface in the garden. | |
| | 1 to 2 metres | | | | | Then back fill with soil. | |
| | 2 to 3 metres | Acacia kempeana | Witchetty Bush | Many-stemmed shrub with dense foliage. Broad, dull green leaves. | Very useful windbreak around fences. Also good for single plantings. | If drippers (4 lph) are being used, locate | |
| Shrubs | | Atriplex nummularia | Old Man Saltbush | Useful shrub for hot, dry salty soil, also for clipped hedges. | Very good hedge plant & good as single plantings. | them 450 mm each side of the shrub. | |
| All shrubs listed here | | Dodonea viscosa | Sticky Hopbush | Fast growing shrub with sticky leaves. As with all dodonaea the flowers are insignificant but the large papery hop-like fruit are showy and attractive. | Attractive shrub to plant around the garden. | Water each shrub with 30 litres of water twice a week | |
| are local to the APY Lands and Central | | Eremophila longifolia | Weeping Emu Bush | Bush with dropping dull-green, narrow leaves up to 15 cm long. | Great for filling an empty corner in the yard. | for the first year. In warmer weather an | |
| Australia | | Euc. orbifolia | Round-leaf Mallee | Mallee, or occasionally a small tree. The round leaves are an attractive pale green. | Very attractive and well shaped shrub for the yard. | extra watering per week would be | |
| | | Euc. trivalvis | Victoria Spring Mallee | Mallee with smooth pale bark. | Useful garden shrub. | necessary especially if the root ball is | |
| | | Gossypium sturtianum | Sturt's Desert Rose | Many-stemmed, bushy shrub with mauve hibiscus-like flowers. | Great to use as a shrub but may require pruning. | small eg. when tubestock is used. | |
| | | Melalueca glomerata | Inland Paperbark | Small shrubby tree with white paper bark and narrow grey leaves. Salt tolerant. | Very useful windbreak around fences. Also good for single plantings. | Do not over water shrubs during the | |
| | | Pandorea doratoxylon | Spearwood | Hardy slow growing shrub for sunny position, creamy yellow flowers. | Good for growing on the side wall of a house. | first year or the root system will not grow | |
| | | Senna artemisioides | Silver Cassia | Fine, silvery leaved shrub. Many leaf forms. | The sennas are decorative shrubs for the garden. | ye strong & deep. Hand water once shrubs are | |
| | | Senna nemophila | Desert Cassia | Sparse, slender, light green leaves. | They all produce a mass of yellow flowers in | | |
| | | Senna sturtii | Sturt's Cassia | Greyish leaves. Flowers small and bright yellow. | season and propagate easily from seed. | | |

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| | | Clianthus formosus | Sturt's Desert Pea | Fast growing, spreading perennial with greyish green, woolly leaves. Frost tender. Hard seed. Propagate using the same method as for Acacia ligulata. | Covers several metres with a blaze of scarlet pea shaped flowers. | Planting instructions are the same as for other potted plants in |
| | | Eremophila serpens | | Dark green perennial creeper. Propagated from cuttings by State Flora, South Australia. | Although not local to the Lands or Central Australia it is a good groundcover. | these tables. Groundcover plants |
| | | Grevillea obtusifolia | | Vigorous light green perennial groundcover. Propagated from cuttings by State Flora, South Australia. | Very hardy flowering plant for house yards. | may require a dripper at the base of each |
| | | Grevillea thelemanniana (sprigs) | | Vigorous grey green perennial groundcover. Propagated from cuttings by State Flora, South Australia. | Very hardy flowering plant for house yards. | plant to provide sufficient water for establishment. |
| Groundcovers | | Phyla nodiflora | Lippia | Vigorous groundcover which roots at the nodes. Has pink flowers for most of the year. Found in Northern Australia. Easily propagated from cuttings. | This groundcover can be used as a grass substitute for lawn. Can be found in houses around Umuwa. | Groundcovers are normally grown in protected areas and |
| Some groundcovers listed here are local to the APY Lands and | To 0.5 metres | Myoporum parvifolium | Creeping Boobialla | Prostrate ground cover with dense foliage and starry tiny white flowers. Easily propagated from cuttings in wet sand. | Spreading creeper used in protected locations. | therefore may require more water than trees and shrubs. |
| Central Australia | | Rhagodia spinescens | Creeping Saltbush | Perennial shrub with silvery leaves. Very hardy and drought tolerant. Easily propagated from cuttings in wet sand. | Spreading shrub which makes a good groundcover. | |
| | | Local Groundcovers | | There are a multitude of local groundcover plants across the Lands. If the soil has become compacted in the house yard, then collect a small truck or trailer load of bush soil and spread in sections of the yard. After rain or watering, especially before winter, a range of groundcover plants may emerge. Allow these plants to seed into mulch placed around each plant. More plants will then grow in season. This is an easy way to grow a range of local groundcovers in house yards. Note: Tree and shrub seed may also germinate in these areas. | | |

Notes:

Planting Time: The recommended planting time for all trees, shrubs and groundcovers is from March until November each year. Avoid planting from December to February unless a regular watering program can be sustained. Small plants always need extra care especially if hot periods are experienced from March to November.

Soil Type: Choose well drained soils for best results. Loam to clay-loam soils are suitable.

Water Quality: Although some plants in the above tables are salt tolerant, good water quality provides the best results. Total dissolved solids (TDS) of up to 1500 mg/litre is suitable for most plantings.

Spacing: It is recommended that trees in the height ranges of 5 to 6 metres and 8 to 10 metres be planted at 5 to 6 metres apart for best results. Trees in the 15 metre height range should be planted at 6 to 7 metres apart. These measurements can be adjusted depending on the profile of the tree. Experience gained from observing mature plantings will help those who are planning landscapes of trees and shrubs. It is recommended that shrubs in the 2 to 3 metre height range be planted between 3 and 5 metres apart depending on the profile of the shrub. Smaller shrubs can be planted between 1 to 3 metres apart depending on the type of garden being designed. Care should be taken when planting a mix of trees and shrubs. In these cases avoid planting too close or the result will be excessive shading of smaller plants and hence distorted growth. Groundcovers need sufficient space to spread out especially those which send down roots at each node along the runner.

Pruning: Annual pruning of trees and shrubs on the Lands is usually not necessary. Most pruning will be for the removal of unnecessary growth if plantings are too close or where there has been wind damage caused by storms.

Tree Guards: When trees and shrubs are planted they will require some protection depending on where they are planted. Plants located outside a house yard may require more protection than those planted inside a yard.

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More Information for Trees and Shrubs

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| Plant Type | Height Range | Botanical Name | Common Name | PitjYank. Name | Notes |
|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---|
| | | Acacia ligulata | Umbrella Bush | Watarka | There is a good stand of Ac. ligulata on the sand hill between the main road and the Officer creek at Fregon. There are a few planted to the west of the Telstra hut at Umuwa. |
| | 5 to 6 metres | Acacia murrayana | Colony Wattle | Tjuntula | There are many groves of this tree around Umuwa and once they are identified they can be seen in many places across the Lands. The ghost grey stems are easy to identify. |
| | Shorter shade trees are also | Acacia victorii | Bramble Wattle | Ngatunpa | This is a prickly bush usually found in clusters. There was a large stand south of Ernabella between the cemetery and two mile creek. There are many around Umuwa as well. |
| | suitable for planting on the | Euc. oxymitra | Sharp-capped Mallee | Altarpa | There are big stands of this tree beside the road from Wintawatu and Umpukulu or the Angatja turn-off. There is a clump in the APY Office complex beside the walkway to APY Land Manag't. |
| | northern side of houses to prevent | Euc. youngiana | Large fruited Mallee | Tatukula | Usually found in the southern part of the APY Lands. There are also specimen trees growing in a number of communities on the Lands. |
| | shading of solar panels etc. | Euc. socialis | Red Mallee | Ngapari | There are a number of stands of this tree on the limestone ridges along the road from Watinuma to Yurangka (Amata road). There is also a clump in the SW corner of the APY Office complex. |
| | pullers etc. | Hakea eyrena | Corkwood | Witjinti | These trees occur in patches across the Lands. They grow well at Ernabella and there are a few around Umuwa. There is a dense patch on the road from Kanpi to the rock hole (NW of comm'ty). |
| Trees | | Acacia aneura | Mulga | Kurku | This tree grows extensively across the Lands. There are many around Umuwa and there is a large planting between the APY Office complex and the main access road. |
| | | Brachychiton gregorii | Desert Kurrajong | Ngalta | These trees grow mainly in the western section of the Lands. There is a very large grove of them on the back road from Amata to Kunamata. This is a good source of seed. |
| All trees listed here are local to the APY Lands and Central | | Callitris glaucophylla | Cyprus Pine | Kulilypuru | These trees are fire sensitive and can be destroyed easily. Hence they are mainly found on small hills and in the ranges. There are some on the small hills next to the main road from Umuwa to Ernabella near the Turkey Bore turn-off and some between Umuwa and the water tanks on the hill. |
| Australia | 8 to 10 metres | Casuarina decaisneana | Desert Oak | Kurkara | These trees are also found in the western section of the Lands. There are a number of stands on the road from Amata to Pipalyatjara and at the "T" junction on the back road, Amata to Kunamata. |
| | | Euc. papuana | Ghost Gum | Pilpira | These trees are prolific in the McDonald ranges east and west of Alice Springs. |
| | | Euc. terminalis | Bloodwood | Itara | These trees grow out on the plains as single trees or in clumps. There are a few on the road from Umuwa to Kenmore. There are also a few trees in the SW corner of AP Services yard, Umuwa. |
| | | Grevillea striata | Beefwood | Iltilpa | This tree looks similar to the corkwood however it has a long strap like leaf. There are some over at the back of the Land Management yard at Umuwa. |
| | | Pittosporum phylliraeoides | Native Willow | Kumpalypa | These trees are very noticeable especially when the apricot type fruit appear. They can be found in small clumps often along the road side. |
| | | Acacia estrophiolata | Ironwood | Utjanypa | This tree is very graceful and many can be seen along the road from Umuwa to Fregon. It tends to be scattered across the grasslands providing shade for native fauna and cattle. |
| | 15 metres | Euc. camaldulensis | River Red Gum | Apara | This is a majestic tree which grows in most creeks on the Lands. There are a few woodlots at Umuwa. This is the shorter northern form of the trees with large limbs closer to the ground. |
| | | Euc. coolabah | Coolabah | Ankara | There are good stands of this tree in the flood out area at the Palmer river crossing (South road). They are also in the woodlot closest to the tanks on the hill at Umuwa. |

| Plant Type | Height | Botanical | Common | PitjYank. | Notes |
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| I faitt Type | Range | Name | Name | Name | |
| | | Atriplex vesicaria | Bladder Saltbush | Iriya | This plant usually grows after late autumn rain. It is quite attractive and once identified will be easy to spot again. It has been a good population of plants around Pipalyatjara. |
| | 0.5 to 1 metre | Enchylaena tomentosa | Ruby Saltbush | Malkakutjalpa | Likewise when this bush is identified it will be easily found around the Lands. It is easy to grow and provides a good display. Look for it after autumn rains. |
| | 0.5 to 1 metre | Eremphila maculata | Spotted Fuchsia | Mintjingka | These are perennial shrubs and the flower is the best identifier of this plant. They are grown from cuttings and many grow in the southern parts of the Lands. eg. Officer Creek flood out. |
| | | Eremophila macdonnellii | Desert Fuchsia | Mintjingka | These are perennial shrubs and the flower is the best identifier of this plant. They are grown from cuttings and many grow in the southern parts of the Lands. eg. Officer Creek flood out. |
| | 1 to 2 metres | Radyera farragei | Native Hibiscus | | This shrub can be found in the creek lines in the valley floors between the ranges. They are often found in soakage areas along the creeks and a good example is Alalka creek. |
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| | | Acacia kempeana | Witchetty Bush | Ilykuwara | This shrub is very common on the Lands and a great source of Maku grubs. There is a couple of rows planted on the inside of the bottom fence around AP Services yard at Umuwa. |
| | | Atriplex nummularia | Old Man Saltbush | Iriya | This is another great hedging shrub. It can be grown as a single plant or in rows to form a hedge. There is a clump in the woodlot opposite the Euc. coolabah woodlot at Umuwa. |
| Shrubs | | Dodonea viscosa | Sticky Hopbush | Tjininypa | This is an attractive shrub and very popular in house yards. The hop shaped seed pod can be very decorative. There are a few planted around Umuwa and many grow on the Wamikata sand hill. Once identified they will be easy to see across the Lands. |
| All shrubs listed here are local to the | | Eremophila longifolia | Weeping Emu Bush | Tulypurpa | This shrub grows in large clumps and one can be found at Umuwa NE of AP Services yard and behind the houses. It is grown from a cutting. |
| APY Lands and Central Australia | | Euc. orbifolia | Round-leaf Mallee | | This small tree or shrub can be found on the road from Amata to Umpukulu according to botanists records. There may be some specimen trees around Umuwa. |
| | | Euc. trivalvis | Victoria Spring Mallee | | This tree or shrub is reported as being a relative of Euc. socialis. There is a clump planted in the SE corner of the APY Office complex. |
| | 2 to 3 metres | Gossypium sturtianum | Sturt's Desert Rose | Kalpir-kalpirpa | Like the native hibiscus this shrub can be found in the creek lines in the valley floors between the ranges. There may be a few plants in house yards at Umuwa. |
| | | Melalueca glomerata | Inland Paperbark | Ilpili | Often found in creek beds and drainage lines in the ranges. It is very dense and makes a good windbreak. There are a number planted on the back side of the mounds on the western side of the APY Office at Umuwa. |
| | | Pandorea doratoxylon | Spearwood | Urtjanpa | This is often called the spear or kulata bush and it grows among the rocks in the hills. There were a few planted at Umuwa on the southern side of the APY Office. |
| | | Senna artemisioides | Silver Cassia | Punti | These shrubs are very common on the Lands and many grow in the hills and on the plains around Umuwa. They are also growing in house yards at Umuwa. |
| | | Senna nemophila | Desert Cassia | Punti | These shrubs are very common on the Lands and many grow in the hills and on the plains around Umuwa. They are also growing in house yards at Umuwa. |
| | | Senna sturtii | Sturt's Cassia | Punti | These shrubs are very common on the Lands and many grow in the hills and on the plains around Umuwa. They are also growing in house yards at Umuwa. There were a couple of Senna sturtii outside the main entrance to the APY Office. |

Propagating Information for Trees and Shrubs

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| Plant Type | Height Range | Botanical Name | Common Name | PitjYank. Name | Seed Type | Planting time | Seed Treatment |
|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------|--|---|
| | | Acacia ligulata | Umbrella Bush | Watarka | Hard | September to December | Put seed into a mug, boil the kettle, |
| | 5 to 6 metres | Acacia murrayana | Colony Wattle | Tjuntula | Hard | September to December | pour water over seed and soak for 24 hours. Place swollen seed on the soil surface in a seed tray and cover |
| | Shorter shade trees are also | Acacia victorii | Bramble Wattle | Ngatunpa | Hard | September to December | with fine gravel. |
| | suitable for planting on the | Euc. oxymitra | Sharp-capped Mallee | Altarpa | Soft | September to December | No treatment required. Sprinkle |
| | northern side of houses to prevent | Euc. youngiana | Large fruited Mallee | Tatukula | Soft | September to December | seed on soil surface in seed tray and cover with 6-8 mm of fine gravel. |
| | shading of solar panels etc. | Euc. socialis | Red Mallee | Ngapari | Soft | September to December | Creek sand can be screened through a piece of fly wire to produce fine |
| | panets etc. | Hakea eyrena | Corkwood | Witjinti | Soft | September to December | gravel. |
| Trees | | Acacia aneura | Mulga | Kurku | Hard | September to December | Same treatment as for Acacia ligulata. |
| | | Brachychiton gregorii | Desert Kurrajong | Ngalta | Soft | September to December | No treatment required. Sprinkle seed on soil surface in seed tray and cover with 6-8 mm of fine gravel. |
| All trees listed here are local to the APY Lands and Central | | Callitris glaucophylla | Cyprus Pine | Kulilypuru | Medium | First week of August before the cold weather finishes. | |
| Australia | | Casuarina decaisneana | Desert Oak | Kurkara | Soft | October to December. | |
| | 8 to 10 metres | Euc. papuana | Ghost Gum | Pilpira | Soft | September to December | Creek sand can be screened through a piece of fly wire to produce fine |
| | | Euc. terminalis | Bloodwood | Itara | Soft | September to December | gravel. |
| | | Grevillea striata | Beefwood | Iltilpa | Soft | September to December | |
| | | Pittosporum phylliraeoides | Native Willow | Kumpalypa | Medium | September to December | Wash sticky seeds in detergent and then sprinkle in seed trays. Cover seed with fine gravel. |
| | | Acacia estrophiolata | Ironwood | Utjanypa | Hard | September to December | Use the same treatment as for Acacia ligulata. |
| | 15 metres | Euc. camaldulensis | River Red Gum | Apara | Soft | September to December | Use the same treatment as for Eucalypts. |
| | | Euc. coolabah | Coolabah | Ankara | Soft | September to December | |

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| | | Atriplex vesicaria | Bladder Saltbush | Iriya | Soft | First week of August before the cold weather finishes. | No treatment required. Sprinkle seed on soil surface in seed tray and cover with 6-8 mm of fine gravel. |
| | 0.5 to 1 metre | Enchylaena tomentosa | Ruby Saltbush | Malkakutjalpa | Soft | September to December | No treatment required. Sprinkle seed on soil surface in seed tray and cover with 6-8 mm of fine gravel. |
| | | Eremphila maculata | Spotted Fuchsia | Mintjingka | Cutting | | These cuttings are usually propagated by State Flora in SA. |
| | | Eremophila macdonnellii | Desert Fuchsia | Mintjingka | Cutting | | These cuttings are usually propagated by State Flora in SA. |
| | 1 to 2 metres | Radyera farragei | Native Hibiscus | | Hard | September to December | Same treatment as for Acacia kempeana. |
| | 1 to 2 metres | | | | | | |
| Shrubs | | Acacia kempeana | Witchetty Bush | Ilykuwara | Hard | September to December | Put seed into a mug, boil the kettle, pour water over seed and soak for 24 hours. Place swollen seed on the soil surface in a seed tray and cover with fine gravel. |
| All shrubs listed | | Atriplex nummularia | Old Man Saltbush | Iriya | Soft | First week of August before the cold weather finishes. | No treatment required. Sprinkle seed on soil surface in seed tray and cover with 6-8 mm of fine gravel. |
| here are local to the APY Lands and | | Dodonea viscosa | Sticky Hopbush | Tjininypa | Hard | September to December | Same treatment as for Acacia kempeana. |
| Central Australia | | Eremophila longifolia | Weeping Emu Bush | Tulypurpa | Cutting | | These cuttings are usually propagated by State Flora in SA. |
| | | Euc. orbifolia | Round-leaf Mallee | | Soft | September to December | No treatment required. Sprinkle seed on soil surface in seed tray and |
| | 2 to 3 metres | Euc. trivalvis | Victoria Spring Mallee | | Soft | September to December | cover with 6-8 mm of fine gravel. |
| | | Gossypium sturtianum | Sturt's Desert Rose | Kalpir-kalpirpa | Hard | September to December | Same treatment as for Acacia kempeana. |
| | | Melalueca glomerata | Inland Paperbark | Ilpili | Soft | September to December | No treatment required. Sprinkle seed on soil surface in seed tray and |
| | | Pandorea doratoxylon | Spearwood | Urtjanpa | Soft | September to December | cover with 6-8 mm of fine gravel. |
| | | Senna artemisioides | Silver Cassia | Punti | Hard | September to December | Put seed into a mug, boil the kettle, |
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| | | Senna sturtii | Sturt's Cassia | Punti | Hard | September to December | soil surface in a seed tray and cover with fine gravel. |