



# NATIVE TREES FOR *newborns*

*A living gift to mark new beginnings*

Wollondilly Shire Council is proud to **support new parents** by offering a **free native tree to commemorate the arrival of your child.**

This simple token connects your family to the land, while **helping grow a greener, more resilient Wollondilly.** Available for collection from the nursery with your voucher after registration.

## WHY PLANT A NATIVE TREE?

Planting native trees is more than a beautiful tradition. It brings meaningful benefits including:

### **Boosts Local Ecosystems**

Native trees support local wildlife by providing food and habitat for birds, insects, and small mammals, enriching biodiversity across the Shire.

### **Low Maintenance & Resilient**

Indigenous species are well-adapted to our climate and soils, requiring less water, fertilizer, and care while thriving with minimal attention.

### **Improves Air & Climate Quality**

Trees filter air pollutants, reduce urban heat islands, and moderate local weather, making our streets cooler and healthier.

### **Enhances Soil & Water Systems**

Native trees possess well-adapted root systems that reduce erosion, enhance soil structure, and promote effective stormwater infiltration.

### **Strengthens Community Well-Being**

Green spaces reduce stress, provide areas for reflection and connection, and foster pride in local landscapes.

**We offer a selection of recommended native species suitable for local conditions:**

- **Melaleuca styphelioides** *Prickly Paperbark*
- **Melaleuca decora** *White Myrtle*
- **Melaleuca linariifolia** *Flax leaved Paperbark*
- **Hakea salicifolia** *Willow leaved Hakea*
- **Hymenosporum flavum** *Native Frangipani*
- **Callistemon salignus** *Willow Bottlebrush*
- **Backhousia myrtifolia** *Grey Myrtle*
- **Acacia floribunda** *Sally Wattle*
- **Acacia binervia** *Coast Myall*
- **Allocasuarina torulosa** *Forest She-oak*

*Please note: Tree species are subject to seasonal availability*

Each species is selected for its suitability to local conditions, wildlife benefits, and ease of care. Visit our nursery team for advice on the best tree for your home or garden.



Scan QR Code to register online.

Let's grow together for our *future, our families, and our environment.*