



Common Name: **Jacaranda**  
 Botanical Name: *Jacaranda mimosifolia*  
 Origin: South America, Brazil  
 Flowering Period: October/November



Description: The Jacaranda is a large deciduous tree with fine-textured, fern-like pinnate leaves. In early spring the tree is leafless and only the 5cm round, flat multi-seeded pods soften the stark bare branches. Jacaranda's are prolific flower bearers and are covered with 20cm long loose trusses of drooping mauve or white flower bells. There are 2,000 Jacaranda's in Grafton City. The Jacaranda can reach over 12m and may live up to 200 years if well cared for.

Their history and significance has been extensively documented from the famous annual Jacaranda Festival in Grafton to Pretoria, in South Africa, which is noted for it's 70,000 plus flowering Jacaranda trees.

It is said that if you are walking underneath the Jacaranda tree and one of the trumpet blossoms falls on your head you will be favoured by fortune.

Timber from the Jacaranda species can be yellow or contain shades of pink and varies from dark to creamy colours. It is popular for ornamental woodwork.

The White Jacarandas came from Doctor Hewit of the Bellingen Hospital.

A variegated leaf form of Jacaranda , which is a grafted species, is planted in some streets - eg. Prince Street near Dobie Street.

Street Location:

Pound St, See Park, Prince St, Victoria St, Kent St, Dobie St, Ryan St, Queen St, Duke St, Fitzroy St, Turf St, Bacon St, Craig St, Oliver St and many other locations around the city.



Common Name: ***Tibouchina***

Botanical Name: *Tibouchina spp*

Origin: South-east Brazil

Flowering Period: Late summer and autumn

Description: Tibouchina 'Alstonville' and Tibouchina 'Jules', were produced at Alstonville, on the New South Wales north coast, by the late Ken Dunstan. Ken also produced a wonderful dwarf bottlebrush called 'Little John'.



Street Location: Bent St, Charles St, McHugh St, Weiley Ave, Bawden St, Miller St, Bowtell Ave, Garden St.



Common Name: ***Tower Tree* or *Brazilian Firetree***

Botanical Name: *Schizolobium parahybum*

Origin: Central and South America

Flowering Period: Spring

Description: This deciduous tree has green, fern like foliage and in spring a profusion of yellow, pea-shaped flowers. It looks much like a yellow flowering Jacaranda. The leaves which can be up to 2m long are supposedly the largest compound leaves in the world.



Street Location: Visitor Centre, Duke St, Bacon St, Skinner St.



Common Name: ***Tree Waratah***

Botanical Name: *Alloxylon flammeum*  
(previously *Oreocallis wickhamii*)

Origin: Atherton Tableland, Queensland

Flowering Period: Spring

Description: The Waratah tree is one of the most spectacular of all Australian native trees and striking when in bloom, laden with bold, scarlet red, nectar-rich, Waratah-like flowers that attract birds. The waratah tree grows to about 18m.



Street Location: Prince St, Crown St, Queen St.