Local native plant ID sheet

for the Fleurieu Milk & Yoghurt Company fencing and revegetation project



Acacia provincialis (syn. Acacia retinodes)

Wirilda or Swamp Wattle



Photo: Conservation Council SA

Info: fast growing shrub, usually the tallest plants in a swamp

Soil: damp

Acacia verticillata Prickly Moses



Photo: Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Plan

Info: prickly shrub more common on the edges of a swamp

Soil: damp

Allocasuarina robusta

Mount Compass Oak-bush



Photo: Conservation Council SA

Info: dense shrub, usually taller than 1.5 m, with smooth segmented needle-like leaves; produces stalkless, rounded cones along its branches Soil: wet, low-lying, usually near the edges of watercourses and swamps

Banksia marginata

Silver Banksia



Photo: Caroline Taylor

Info: tree 3–5 m, leaves green on top, sliver below; yellow flowers on cylindrical cone, spring to autumn; slow growing Soil: if foliage yellows, apply chelated iron

Baumea juncea

Bare Twig-rush



Photo: Conservation Council SA

Info: spreading sedge found in permanently wet zones of swamps

Soil: wet

Baumea rubiginosa

Soft Twig-rush



Photo: Conservation Council SA

Info: common sedge, dark green stems with one edge usually flat and the other rounded

Soil: wet







Photo: Ben Moulton

Info: climber or small shrub to shin high with dark green leaves, striking purple to blue flowers in spring, red/purple berries in summer

Carex tereticaulis Rush Sedge



Photo: Dan Duval

Info: a dense, tufted shrub with triangular, hollow and smooth stems **Soil:** wet

Bursaria spinosa

Sweet Bursaria or Christmas Bush



Photo: Natural Resources AMLR

Info: erect, prickly shrub to 4 m, leaves are green above, whitish beneath, produces fragrant creamy-white flowers mid-summer

Soil: grows well in a variety of soil types except coastal sand

Cyperus vaginatus Stiff Flat-sedge



Photo: Caroline Taylor

Info: tussock-forming perennial to 1.5 m high. Flowers green and brown, spring to autumn

Soil: well-drained, needs water in summer

Carex appresa

Tall Sedge



Photo: Conservation Council SA

Info: a dense, tufted sedge with strong, sharp leaves that will readily cut skin Soil: wet

Dodonaea viscosa

Sticky Hop-bush



Photo: Natural Resources AMLR

Info: erect shrub to 3 m, bright green sticky leaves, green flowers in winter, red seed pods in spring

Soil: well-drained, benefits from water in summer



Swamp Gum



Photo: John Gitsham, Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Plan

Info: eucalypt species found on the wet edges and sometimes within swamps

Soil: damp

Ficinia nodosa Knobby Club-rush



Photo: Caroline Taylor

Info: evergreen clumping plant to 1 m high with dark green, cylindrical, upright leaves; brown ball-shaped flower heads

occur all year

Soil: tolerates salt spray and wet zones

Gahnia sieberiana

Red-fruit Cutting Grass



Photo: John Gitsham, Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Plan

Info: common tall sedge with sharp leaves and tall, dark flower heads

Soil: wet

Goodenia ovata

Hop Goodenia



Photo: John Gitsham, Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Plan

Info: mid-level shrub with erect stalks, light green leaves and distinctive

yellow flowers **Soil:** damp

Hakea rostrata

Beaked Hakea



Photo: Tim Vale

Info: dry sedge species with prickly foliage and distinctive 'beaked' seed pods

Soil: damp

Juncus pallidus

Pale Rush



Photo: Natural Resources AMLR

Info: hardy rushes to 2 m, flowers

in summer **Soil:** damp

Juncus sarophorus Rush



Photo: Conservation Council SA

Info: common swamp sedge with bluish-

green stems **Soil**: damp

Leptospermum continentale Prickly Tea-tree



Photo: Peter Watton

Info: bushy shrub to 4 m with small prickly green leaves and white flowers in spring

Melaleuca squamea

Swamp Honey-myrtle



Photo: © Tony Robinson

Info: shrub, 1–6 m high with corky bark, sharp-pointed pale green leaves, purple flowers clustered near branch tips in spring and scaly, spherical fruit in clusters on stems

Soil: damp

Rytidosperma spp. Wallaby Grass



Photo: Mary Retallack

Info: hardy coarse- or fine-leafed perennial tussocks, variable in size and growth habits and flowering heads

Themeda triandra Kangaroo Grass



Photo: Natural Resources AMLR

Info: dense tussock perennial grass to 1.5 m with re-purple tinged leaves and pink flowers in summer Soil: well-drained

Viminaria juncea

Native Broom or Golden Spray



Photo: John Gitsham, Goolwa to Wellington Local Action Plan

Info: long, fine-leaved weeping shrub to 2.5 m with yellow pea flowers along long spikes in summer

Soil: damp

Xanthorrhoea semiplana Flat-leaf Grass Tree



Photo: Peter Watton

Soil: well-drained

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