

FRAGRANT TREES AND SHRUBS

Add a new sense to your garden! Fragrant flowers and foliage in the garden can be relaxing and rewarding. Scents can surprise you as you brush past a shrub in the back yard, or harvest some for a vase, pot pourri or a refreshing bath.

Plant a few in pots near the front entrance of your house for lovely welcoming scents.

- Acacia vestita* Hairy Wattle - evergreen native shrub with delicately fragrant yellow flowers borne on weeping branches in mid-spring. Great for very dry, rocky spots.
- Angophora hispida* Dwarf Apple - a lovely small tree from the Sydney region. Lovely cinnamon coloured trunk and red new growth. Bears large clusters of honey-scented flowers in summer. Good in large pots.
- Arthropodium sp.* Vanilla and Chocolate lillies - magnificent, sweetly scented flowers in spring and summer. A little perennial Australian tufting plant from local Grasslands.
- Boronia megastigma* Brown Boronia - a delicate Australian shrub with very fragrant, pendulous, cup-shaped flowers on thin, arching stems. Loves dappled shade (not too much hot sun). Needs excellent drainage but must not dry out. A great pot plant in Canberra.
- Choisya ternata* Mexican Orange Blossom - attractive evergreen shrub having clusters of small, fragrant white flowers in early spring. Good for shady spots, or in full sun if mulched well.
- Daphne odora* Daphne - evergreen shrub with very sweetly perfumed, pinkish white flowers borne in late winter and spring. Great for shady spots. A beautiful pot plant (but do not overwater!)
- Eriostemon myoporoides* Waxflower - hardy evergreen native shrub with fragrant, pale pinkish-white star-shaped flowers in early spring. Looks best in part shade or full shade.
- Gardenia radicans* Dwarf Gardenia - small evergreen shrub with highly fragrant, semi-double creamy-white flowers in spring. Needs a sheltered position. Lovely pot plant in a shady spot.
- Lavandula spp.* English, French and Italian Lavender - all lavenders produce purple fragrant flowers in summer. Good for drying. White, and sometimes pink flowered forms are available.
- Magnolia soulangeana* Magnolia - small deciduous tree with large, tulip-like, sweetly fragrant flowers of pink to purple in mid-spring. Protect from drying winds.



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<i>Magnolia stellata</i>	Star Magnolia - lovely small deciduous tree to 3m. Produces masses of fragrant white flowers in early spring.
<i>Michelia figo</i>	Port Wine Magnolia - evergreen shrub with fragrant, wine-pink small flowers in spring. Protect from hot, drying winds.
<i>Osmanthus fragrans</i>	masses of very small fragrant white flowers are produced in summer. Slow-growing evergreen shrub.
<i>Prostanthera sp.</i>	Mint bush - lovely shrub with fresh, mint-scented foliage. White, pink or purple flowers in spring. Grows happily in partly shaded areas.
<i>Prunus mume</i>	Flowering Apricot - deciduous small tree with fragrant, pink single or double flowers in mid-winter to spring.
<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>	Rosemary - very fragrant foliage and pale blue, purple or pink flowers in summer and autumn. A prostrate form is also available.
<i>Syringa vulgaris</i>	Lilac - deciduous shrub with large trusses of highly perfumed mauve, purple or white flowers in mid-spring.

