

Cootamundra Wattle



Acacia baileyana



WHITE WAXY
BLOOM ON
FOLIAGE
FEW LEAFLETS

SEED
PODS

SEEDS
x5

**BEWARE! THE COOTAMUNDRA WATTLE
SHOULD NOT BE GROWN IN THIS AREA.**

Large shrub native to NSW.

FLOWERS: bright lemon-yellow, from July-August.

FOLIAGE: green-greyish; fewer leaflet pairs than most other species; only one gland at base of leaflet pair.

Early Black Wattle



Acacia decurrens



WIDELY SPACED
NARROW
PINNULES
(LEAVES)

BRANCHLETS
WITH VERY
PROMINENT
WING-LIKE
RIDGES

SEED
PODS

SEEDS
x5

**BEWARE! THE EARLY BLACK WATTLE
SHOULD NOT BE GROWN IN THIS AREA.**

Small to medium tree native to NSW.

FLOWERS: bright yellow, from August-September.

FOLIAGE: bright green, narrow, widely separated 'leaves' only one gland per leaflet pair.

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Friend or Foe?

A Guide to Fern-leaf Wattles
in North Central Victoria



Five types of fern-leaf (bi-pinnate) wattles are commonly found in North Central Victoria.

Two of these, Cootamundra Wattle and Early Black Wattle, are introduced from New South Wales. Both can invade bushland, compete with local plants and alter habitat.

Silver Wattle

Acacia dealbata



RAISED GLANDS
ONLY AT THE
JUNCTION OF
EACH LEAFLET



SEED
PODS

SEEDS
x5

Suckering small to medium tree mainly in southern areas and associated with moist soils; but extending along moist gullies and major streams in the drier north.

FLOWERS: bright yellow, conspicuously displayed, from August-September

FOLIAGE: many leaflets, from grey to dull green (paler than *A. mearnsii*).

Late Black Wattle

Acacia mearnsii



ADDITIONAL GLANDS
IRREGULARLY SPACED
BETWEEN EACH PAIR
OF LEAFLETS



SEED
PODS

SEEDS
x5

Small to medium tree usually in undulating to hilly country often associated with deeper, fertile soils. Not found in the dry north.

FLOWERS: pale cream-yellow, hidden amongst foliage, in November.

FOLIAGE: dull green (darker than *A. dealbata*)

Deane's Wattle

Acacia deanei subsp. *paucijuga*



SEEDS
x5

SEED
PODS

Medium to large shrub or small tree found mainly in granite rises and hills in drier areas, eg Pyramid Hill, Kingower.

FLOWERS: pale cream-yellow, mostly in December.

FOLIAGE: pale dull green; few leaflets.