

Remember to
fertilise
your plants!

— November —

Garden Guide

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- Feature Plant -

Kangaroo Paw

Kangaroo Paw is an iconic Australian Plant which grows from a rhizome, which is capable of producing the shoot and root systems of a new plant. There are many varieties, producing lovely long stemmed flowers which provide a great nectar treat for birds. Kangaroo Paws flower during Spring & Summer.

Where to Plant: Kangaroo Paw will benefit from a spot with full sun and good drainage. Organic matter can be added to the soil for improved moisture retention and structure. Some Super Booster or Lawn & Garden Booster added to the soil before planting will both provide the growing plant with the nutrients it needs and provide organic matter for soil improvement. Water with a liquid seaweed like Neptune to reduce shock when planting.

Watering: Water during early Spring & Summer as this is the peak growing time. Kangaroo Paw will tend to be fairly drought tolerant during the remainder of the year.

Fertilising: A good balanced fertiliser like Katek Super Growth pellets is ideal as it contains a range of nutrients including sulphate of potash which helps to sustain flower production throughout the season. This pelletised fertiliser can be applied around the base in March after cutting back and then again in Spring.

Fortnightly application of a seaweed concentrate like Neptune is also recommended to strengthen the plant against pest and disease pressure and for overall plant health.



Pruning: Pruning is a key element to growing attractive, healthy Kangaroo Paw. Cutting back helps encourage vigorous growth and helps reduce disease. Prune back hard, right to ground level.

Propagation: Kangaroo Paw grow in clumps, which means as they grow they can be divided. Kangaroo Paw can also be grown from seed.



What to Plant

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Flowers:

Cool Climate/Temperate Climate

Amaranthus, aster, balsam, begonia, carnation, chrysanthemum, cockscomb, coleus, cosmos, dahlia, dianthus, everlasting daisy, gazania, gerbera, impatiens, marigold, nasturtium, petunia, phlox, Iceland poppy, portulaca, rudbeckia, salvia, snapdragon, sunflower, torenia, verbena and zinnia.

Sub-Tropical Climate

Ageratum, aster, balsam, carnation, chrysanthemum, cockscomb, coleus, cosmos, dahlia, dianthus, everlasting daisy, gazania, geranium, gerbera, impatiens, kangaroo paw, marigold, nasturtium, petunia, portulaca, rudbeckia, salvia, snapdragon, sunflower, torenia, verbena and zinnia

Tropical Climate

Ageratum, amaranthus, begonia, chrysanthemum, cockscomb, coleus, cosmos, dahlia, dianthus, everlasting daisy, gazania, geranium, gerbera, impatiens, kangaroo paw, marigold, nasturtium, petunia, portulaca, rudbeckia, salvia, snapdragon, sunflower, torenia, verbena and zinnia.

Herbs & Vegetables:

Cool Climate/Temperate Climate

Artichoke, asparagus, beetroot, broad beans, broccoli, Brussels sprout, cabbage, carrot, cauliflower, celery, endive, leek, lettuce, onion, peas, snow peas, silver beet, spinach and radish. chives, curry, dill, mint, parsley, sage and thyme. chives, curry, dill, mint, parsley, sage and thyme.

Sub-Tropical Climate

Beans, beetroot, broccoli, cabbage, capsicum, carrot, chicory, Chinese cabbage, cucumber, eggplant, lettuce, melons, mustard, onion, parsnip, potato, pumpkin, radish, rosella, silver beet, squash, sweet corn, sweet potato, tomato and watermelon. basil, chives, coriander, dill, mint, oregano, parsley, sage and thyme.

Tropical Climate

Beans, beetroot, broccoli, Chinese cabbage, capsicum, cucumber, eggplant, endive, lettuce, melons, okra, onion, parsnip, potato, pumpkin, radish, rhubarb, rosella, silver beet, spring onion, squash, sweet corn, sweet potato, tomato and zucchini. silver beet, spinach, squash, sweet potato, pumpkin, tomato, watermelon and zucchini.

“Where flowers bloom so does hope”

Lady Bird Johnson

Did You Know?

Plants really do respond to sound. Its a well known wives tale but its true! Play some relaxing music or talk to your plants to give them a boost in growth from the vibration of your voice

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Tasks in the Garden

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-  **Pruning:** Cut back all tropical plants like cordylines and crotons, they will reshoot in the warmer weather.
-  **Weeding & Mulching:** The garden will really benefit from a good weeding this month before things get too out of control! Re-mulch your garden beds if needed, ready for Summer. The ideal depth is about 10cm deep to stop weeds growing through. Not Just Mulch is perfect as it gives the plants a boost of nutrients as well as keeping moisture in!
-  **Perennials:** Time to plant summer perennials like gerberas, daylillies, canna lillies and calibrachoa
-  **Fertilise Lawns:** Give lawns a good dose of fertiliser like Lawn & Garden to help revive any dead patches and boost organic matter. Super Feed liquid fertiliser sprayed over the lawn will help green up a lawn that is looking sad. If you overfertilise now, it means more mowing in Summer, so use a slow release organic fertiliser for steady, green growth.
-  **Watering:** Keep up a regular watering regime as the weather starts to warm up. A good layer of mulch will mean you can cut back on watering as the moisture will stay in the soil.
-  **Add Organic Matter:** A composted manure fertiliser like Super Booster or Super Growth is an easy way to add organic matter to the soil to help improve water holding capacity and provide nutrients for the growing plants.
-  **Fruits:** Give citrus and fruit trees like Mango or Bananas a good feed of fertiliser like Citrus & Fruit. Lightly trim passionfruit vines to encourage new growth and feed with Blood & Bone Plus. Mulch around the base of your trees.

Spring Fertilising

Super Growth Pellets around vegetables & herbs, fruit trees & flowering plants for healthy, green growth

Super Grass over the lawn to help it become lush and green after the drier winter period

Super Growth or Super Booster in the planting hole or dug through the beds for new plantings

Natives may need a boost with Super Growth or Neptune to encourage flowering.

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