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Street Tree Document



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Thoughtful streetscape planning plays an important role in shaping Glen Iris into a cooler, greener and more inviting neighbourhood for residents to live, work and enjoy. A well-considered tree canopy also supports local wildlife, creating food sources and natural habitats that allow native species to thrive alongside the community.

At Glen Iris Estate, we have been working with the City of Cockburn to refine the planting plan for street trees across the community. These refinements have been designed to provide the best possible growing conditions for each tree, while enhancing long-term canopy cover, biodiversity and overall tree resilience.

The information included in this document outlines what homeowners will need to prepare ahead of their street tree installation, and answers some commonly asked questions.



How do I arrange for my street tree to be installed?

When you are getting ready to install your irrigation system (but prior to its installation), please contact us at admin@glenirisestate.com.au to request the installation of your street tree/s.

Your street tree/s will be installed by Landscape Australia Construction (LAC), the professional landscaping contractor for Glen Iris Estate.

LAC have the knowledge and expertise about what each street tree needs at the time of installation, to give it the best start at growing into a healthy tree as quickly as possible.

Upon receiving your street tree request, we will forward it to LAC. They will then get in touch with you directly to make arrangements for the installation of your street tree/s. Details about what you will need to do to prepare for the installation are provided on pages 6-7.

The installation of your street tree/s is one of the minimum requirements that need to be met in order to qualify for your front landscaping rebate. To receive your rebate, your street tree/s and their irrigation must be installed.





How many street trees will be installed in the front verge of my property?

For homesites with frontages **less than 18m wide**, one street tree will be planted within the verge. Homesites with frontages that are **18m or wider** will have the option of either one large street tree or two medium-sized street trees within their front verge.

This approach ensures each tree has sufficient space for its canopy and root system to establish and flourish over time. It also helps protect driveways and surrounding infrastructure as the trees mature, supporting a healthy, resilient and beautifully landscaped streetscape for the Glen Iris community, both now and in the future.



I am on a street corner - how many street trees will be installed in my side verge?

Generally, 2 to 3 trees will be installed within side verges, depending on the length of your homesite. The trees will also need to be setback from the street corner, to ensure adequate sight lines are maintained for vehicles.

TWO TREES FOR EACH NEW HOMESITE CREATED

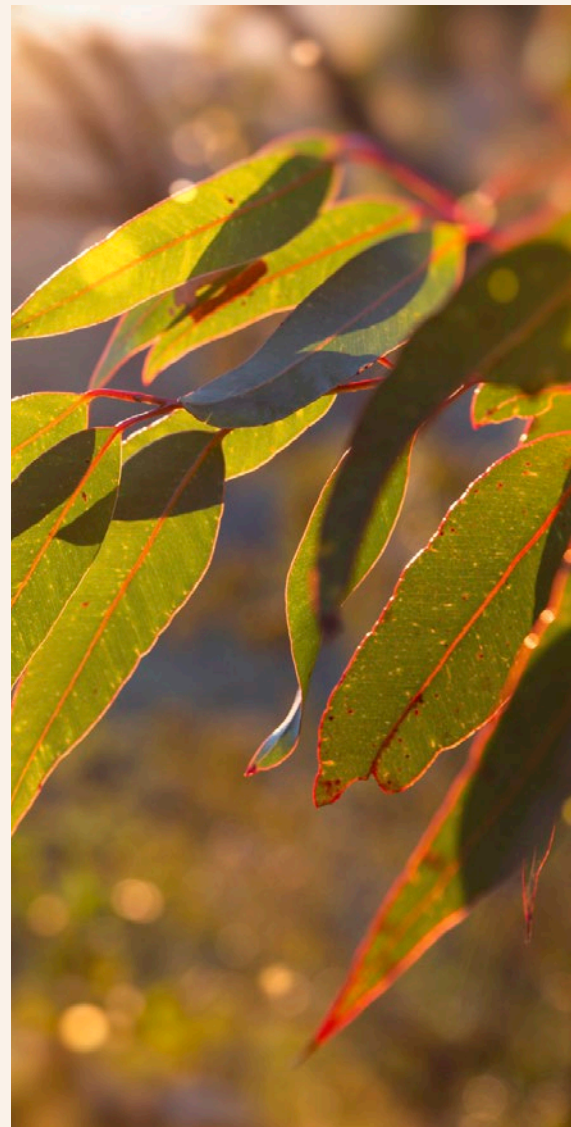


At Glen Iris Estate, trees play an important role in shaping the character and liveability of the community. With this in mind, we have made a commitment to plant two new trees within the estate for every homesite created.

If only one street tree is installed, can I have another tree for my garden?

Yes, if you receive only one street tree, we invite you to select your own tree and install it as part of your front or rear landscaping. We will reimburse the cost of this additional tree up to the value of \$250. This reimbursement is provided in addition to your landscaping rebate.

At the time of applying for your landscaping rebate, please also send us a photo of your installed tree, together with a copy of your paid invoice for the tree. To be eligible for reimbursement, the photo of your tree must show that it has been installed with an irrigation bubbler, connected to your irrigation system.





What species of street trees will be planted?

Homeowners will be provided with a selection of street tree species to choose from. The selection provided to each homeowner will be guided by the following:

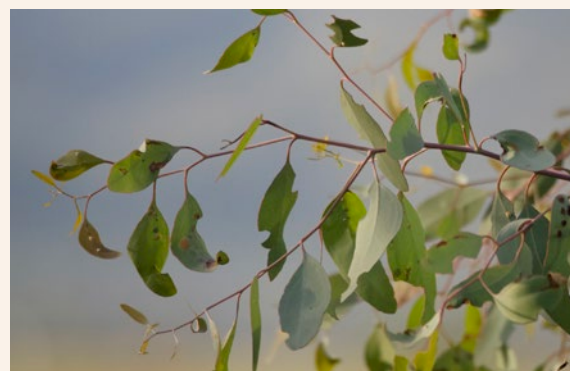
1. City of Cockburn Approved
All species will be selected from the City of Cockburn's list of approved street trees, which is available for viewing on the city's website.
2. The Width of Your Homesite
Wider homesites will be provided with larger species to choose from. This will ensure that an optimal level of tree canopy cover and shade is achieved within the street verges of wider properties.
3. Nursery Stock Availability
The tree species that are available for us to source will vary throughout the year, depending on nursery stock levels. When you are ready for your street tree to be installed, our landscaping contractor will provide you with a selection of tree species that are available at that time.

Do I have to choose the same street tree as my neighbours?

No. At Glen Iris Estate, our vision is to create a richly layered urban forest, where a diverse range of street trees come together to form a beautiful and resilient landscape over time. This is already being reflected in our new parks, walking trails and entry roads.

Historically, streets in many suburbs were planted with a single species of tree, creating what is known as a monoculture. While visually uniform, monocultures are more vulnerable to pests, disease and environmental stress, and offer fewer benefits for local ecosystems. By contrast, a diverse mix of street trees with a variety of species, heights, canopy forms and foliage creates a healthier and more resilient environment.

This supports greater biodiversity, provides valuable habitat and food sources for wildlife, and contributes to improved air quality through increased carbon capture (i.e. they remove more carbon from the air), meaning fresher, cleaner air for us to breathe. With this in mind, homeowners are invited to select their preferred tree from the species list provided. Your choice does not need to match your neighbours, allowing the streetscape to evolve into a vibrant and diverse landscape across the estate.



Will every new homesite get a new street tree?

No. There are exceptions where new street trees will not be planted:

- Where there is already an existing established mature tree within the verge.
- Where the front verge is less than 2.5m in width (measured from road kerb to front property boundary).
- Some laneway lots that do not have front verges.



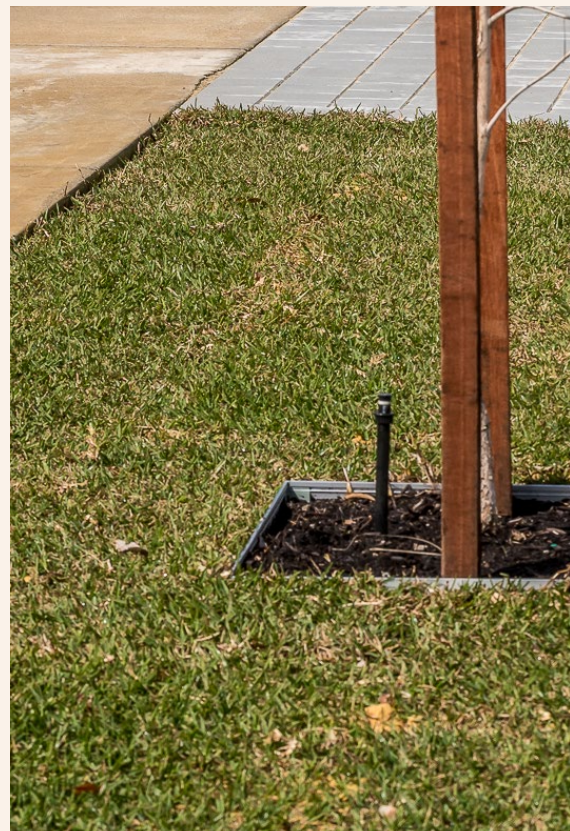
Is there anything I need to do before my street tree is installed?

Yes. An irrigation station for your street tree/s needs to be included within your irrigation system.

Each street tree location will need to have 1 x tree bubbler installed with a flow rate of 1 litre/minute.

When our landscaping contractor has received your street tree request, they will ask you to provide photos of your installed street tree irrigation bubbler/s and driveway.

Upon receipt of the photos, they will then purchase your street tree/s and schedule a date for their installation.



Where within the verge next to my property should the irrigation bubbler/s be installed?

Front Verge Installation (One Street Tree)

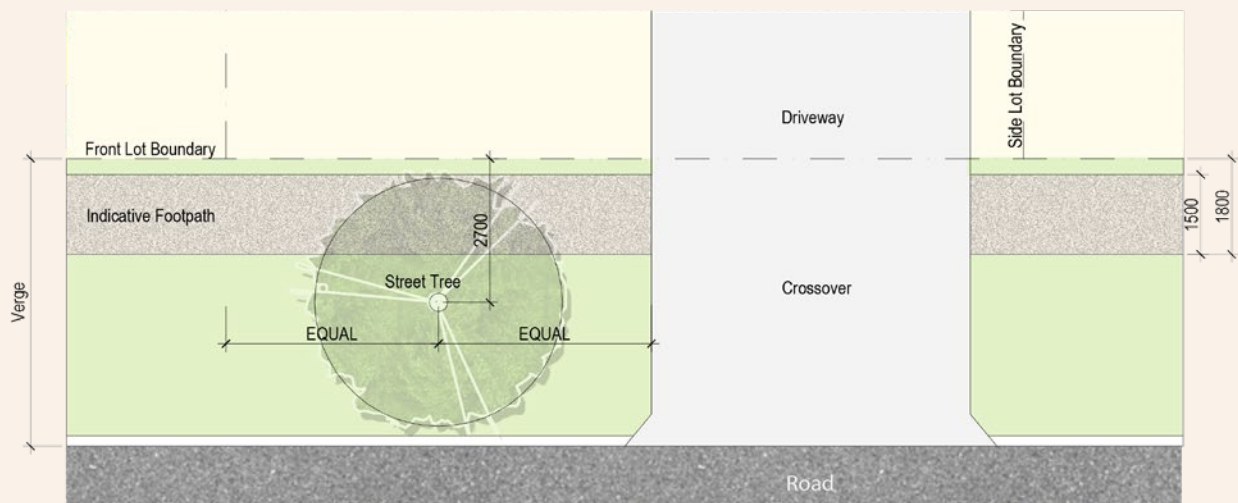
1. Please install your irrigation bubbler a distance of 2.7m from your front property boundary.
2. It should also be positioned generally in a central location, between the edge of your driveway and the lot boundary you share with your neighbour, as illustrated below.

Front Verge Installation (Two Street Trees)

1. If your homesite has a frontage of 18m or wider, and you have selected the option of two medium-sized street trees, the irrigation bubblers will also need to be located a distance of 2.7m from your front property boundary.
2. The 2 x irrigation bubblers should be evenly spaced within your front verge, with a separation distance of 4 metres between them.

Street Corners and Laneways

If your homesite is located on a street corner or has rear laneway access, our landscaping contractor will assist you in determining the correct locations for the installation of your irrigation bubblers. They will provide this assistance at the time of receiving your street tree request.





Who is responsible for the watering and establishment of my street tree?

The street trees are a City of Cockburn asset, but homeowners can assist with their early establishment, by providing them with the care and watering that they need to thrive and grow. This early establishment period lasts for 3 years after the tree has been planted.

We hope you care for your street tree to give it a great start to life, and that you will be happy providing it with the water it needs for at least 3 years.

At the end of the 3-year establishment period, we would encourage you to keep irrigating your street tree until it has fully matured.

Once your street tree has matured, the City of Cockburn will be responsible for its long-term maintenance, pruning and care.





How much water will my street tree need to become established?

- To establish your tree, it will need a minimum of 20 litres of water per day after it has been planted, and for the full duration of your Water Corporation watering exemption period.
- As a general rule, 20 litres of watering can be achieved by leaving your tree irrigation station on for 15 to 20 minutes.
- It is important to monitor your tree for signs of heat stress. On very windy days or prolonged periods of heat, additional watering may be needed.
- At the end of your Water Corporation watering exemption period, we strongly encourage you to continue watering your street tree using the irrigation system that you have installed. Optimal watering for your street tree (using your automated irrigation system) is 15 to 20 minutes per day, twice a week on your Water Corporation rostered watering days.
- Any amount of water is better than nothing – if you prefer to hand water your street tree, then using a 15 litre watering can with a shower/rain nozzle, you should apply a minimum of 3 x watering cans per tree in the warmer months of the year, at least 2 to 3 times per week.

How do I know if my tree is getting enough water?

You can tell a tree is stressed by lack of water when it has wilted/drooping leaves which don't perk back up in the evening. Yellowing or browning leaves, or leaves which curl up while on the tree, are other signs of heat stress.

Should I fertilise my tree?

Our landscaping contractor will plant your street tree with a 3:1 site soil to soil conditioner blend. This will provide your tree with enough slow release fertilizer to last up to 9 months.

After 9 months, you can give your street tree some additional care by applying fertiliser and soil conditioner once a year, in early autumn.

Slow-release, nutrient-balanced, and moisture-retaining fertilizer products are the best option for newly planted trees. Recommended products include Troforte, Grow Safe and Baileys Tree Planting Mix. Follow this with a soil conditioner like Nutrient Rock Star or Seasol to boost root establishment.

Please do not fertilise your tree if it is stressed.



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