

Plants prohibited from sale in the Limestone Coast

Limestone Coast Landscape Board

The Limestone Coast Landscape Board oversees the control program for declared plants in the region. This includes inspections of businesses such as nurseries and florists to ensure best practice in the management of plants prohibited from sale.

The inspections, undertaken by authorised Landscape Officers for the Limestone Coast Landscape Board, are just one tool in the management of declared plants in Limestone Coast nurseries and florists.

Our Landscape Officers are here to help

Landscape Officers with the Limestone Coast Landscape Board are available to support nurseries and florists in the region, through the provision of:

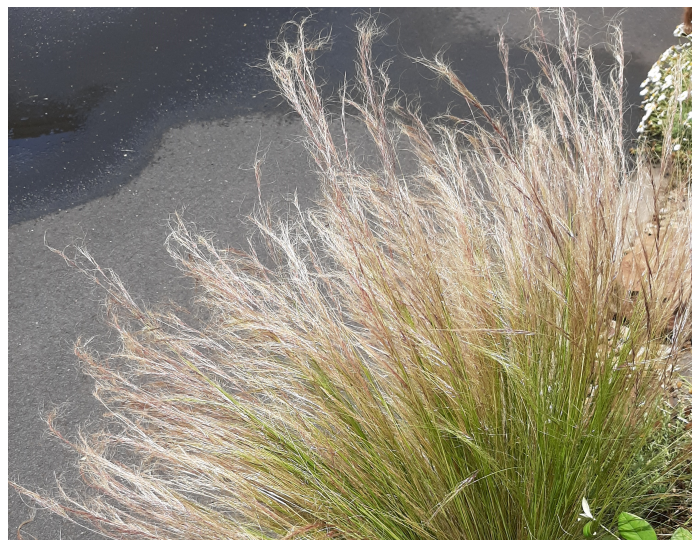
- weed identification
- advice and recommendations for the disposal and control of declared plants
- best practice tools to assist with ensuring declared plants are not inadvertently sold
- development of tools such as weed risk evaluation
- information, publications and support.

Impact of declared plants in the Limestone Coast

The release of declared plants into the Limestone Coast landscape can cause considerable impact to agriculture, environment, biodiversity and industry in the region.

The cost of weeds to Australian agriculture is more than \$4 billion each year. Many weeds, particularly those that invade bushland, rivers and coasts are escaped garden plants. Weed risk assessments are now used to determine the weed potential of new plant introductions into South Australia.

Speak to your Landscape Officer for advice on best practice declared plant control.



It is the responsibility of the distributor to ensure prohibited plants are not sold.

Pictured: Mexican feathergrass (*Nassella tenuissima*) has previously been sold in the Limestone Coast under a different name.

Plants prohibited from sale in South Australia

Plants that are considered as a serious threat are banned from being sold in South Australia. It is an offence to buy or sell any plant listed as prohibited from sale. Declared plants are prohibited from sale anywhere in South Australia under Section 188 of the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019* (the Act). Section 3 of the Act defines sell as including:

- barter, offer or attempt to sell
- receive for sale
- have in possession for sale
- cause or permit to be sold or offered for sale
- send, forward or deliver for sale
- dispose of by any method for valuable consideration
- dispose of to an agent for sale on consignment
- sell for the purposes of resale.

This includes the sale of nursery stock, florist stock, seeds or other propagating material.

It is not prohibited to sell or transport non-living products made from these plants, such as timber from Aleppo pine, or herbal medicines containing horehound. Such products are excluded from the definition of plant under the Act.

Fines of up to \$60,000 can apply for individuals not complying with Section 188 of the Act.



Declared plants

Declared plants are regulated under the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019* due to their threat to primary industry, the natural environment and public safety.

Plants are declared under the provisions of the Act relating to their movement, sale, notification and control. Within each section of the Act, a number of subsections outline further detail and control provisions:

186 - Movement of animals or plants – Declared plants must not be moved on a public road (e.g. as a cutting, seed or potted specimen. Inadvertent movement of the plant on animals, soil, vehicles, machinery or produce may also be illegal.

188 - Sale of animals, plants etc – Declared plants must not be sold at any outlet including nurseries, pet shops and market stalls. Sale of any animal, soil, vehicle, machinery or produce contaminated with these plants is also illegal.

190 - Notification of presence of animals or plants – The presence and locations of declared plants on your own land must be reported to the Limestone Coast Landscape Board.

192 - Owner of land must take action to destroy or control animals or plants – As a distributor of plants in a declared area for declared plants, all declared plants must be controlled and destroyed.

Alert weeds and emerging weeds

Assistance in identifying plants to ensure they are not declared is offered by Landscape Officers for the Limestone Coast Landscape Board.

Some declared plants are also alert weeds because they are not yet established in South Australia and pose a serious threat.

Early detection of alert weeds is critical so the plant can be destroyed before it becomes established in the Limestone Coast.

What to do if you suspect you have a declared weed

If you are unsure whether a plant offered for sale under a particular name is banned, please contact the Limestone Coast Landscape Board.

A Landscape Officer with the Limestone Coast Landscape Board will provide assistance with identifying the plant and supporting you to control and destroy the declared plant if required.

African lovegrass
Eragrostis curvula

Olive (feral)
Eucalyptus (excluding cultivated trees)

Why it's a problem?

- African lovegrass is a hardy, summer-growing perennial grass that produces large, unpalatable tussocks that displace productive plants in pastures.
- It is a high seed set species with the capacity to spread and establish in pastures, roadsides, and other areas.
- It is a declared plant under the Landscape South Australia Act 2019.
- It is a pest species that is a threat to the natural environment and public safety.

Why it's a problem?

- Feral European olives are a major pest plant in native vegetation where they can reduce biodiversity and degrade fauna habitat.
- They are a declared plant under the Landscape South Australia Act 2019. They have spread and established in domestic, public, primary or commercial purposes, are not desired.

Planning for control

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Description

Feral European olives are a major pest plant in native vegetation where they can reduce biodiversity and degrade fauna habitat.

Management

Feral olives are a major pest plant in native vegetation where they can reduce biodiversity and degrade fauna habitat.

Where to find up to date and relevant information on declared plants and plants banned from sale in South Australia

A current list of all plants banned for sale in South Australia can be found at the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) website www.pir.sa.gov.au.

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- African boxthorn** *Lycium ferocissimum* **WoNS**
- African feathergrass** *Cenchrus macrourus*
- African lovegrass** *Eragrostis curvula*
- African rue** *Peganum harmala*
- Aleppo pine** *Pinus halepensis*
- Alisma** *Alisma lanceolatum*
- Alkali sida** *Malvella leprosa*.
- Alligator weed** *Alternanthera philoxeroides* **WoNS – Alert Weed**
- Apple-of-sodom** *Solanum linnaeanum*
- Arum lily** *Zantedeschia aethiopica*
- Asparagus fern** *Asparagus scandens* **WoNS**
- Athel Pine** *Tamarix aphylla* **WoNS**.
- Austrocylindropuntia cacti** *Austrocylindropuntia* spp.
- Azarola** *Crataegus sinaica*.
- Bathurst burr** *Xanthium spinosum*
- Bellyache bush** *Jatropha gossypifolia* **WoNS**
- Berry heath** *Erica baccans*
- Bifora** *Biflora testiculata*
- Blackberry, European** *Rubus fruticosus* sp. agg. **WoNS**.
- Bladder campion** *Silene vulgaris*
- Blue mustard** *Chorispora tenella* **Alert Weed**
- Bluebell creeper** *Billardiera fusiformis* and *Billardiera heterophylla*
- Boneseed** *Chrysanthemoides monilifera* **WoNS**
- Box elder** *Acer negundo*
- Bridal creeper** *Asparagus asparagoides* **WoNS**
- Bridal veil** *Asparagus declinatus* **WoNS**
- Broomrapes** *Orobancha* spp. **Alert Weed**
- Buffel grass** *Cenchrus ciliaris* and *Cenchrus pennisetiformis*
- Bulbil watsonia** *Watsonia meriana* var. *bulbillifera*
- Bundy blackberry** *Rubus laudatus*
- Cabomba** *Cabomba caroliniana* **WoNS**
- Calomba daisy** *Oncosiphon suffruticosum*
- Caltrop** *Tribulus terrestris*
- Cane needlegrass** *Nassella hyalina* **Alert Weed**
- Cape broom** *Genista monspessulana* **WoNS**
- Cape tulip (one and two leafed)** *Moraea flaccida* and *Moraea miniata*
- Carrion flower** *Orbea variegata*
- Cats claw creeper** *Dolichandra unguis-cati* **WoNS**
- Chilean needlegrass** *Nassella neesiana* **WoNS**
- Climbing asparagus fern** *Asparagus plumosus* **WoNS**
- Coastal tea-tree** *Leptospermum laevigatum*
- Common lantana** *Lantana camara* **WoNS**
- Coolatai grass** *Hyparrhenia hirta*
- Creeping knapweed** *Rhaponticum repens*
- Cutleaf mignonette** *Reseda lutea*
- Cylindropuntia cacti** *Cylindropuntia* spp. **WoNS**
- Desert ash** *Fraxinus angustifolia*
- Distichlis** *Distichlis spicata*
- Dodder** *Cuscuta* spp. **Alert Weed**
- Dog rose** *Rosa canina*
- Dolichos pea** *Dipogon lignosus*
- Dune onion weed** *Trachyandra divaricata*
- Elodea** *Elodea canadensis*
- English/Scotch broom** *Cytisus scoparius* **WoNS**
- Espartillo grasses** *Amelichloa brachychaeta* and *Amelichloa caudata* **Alert Weed**
- Eurasian water milfoil** *Myriophyllum spicatum* **Alert Weed**
- False caper** *Euphorbia terracina*
- Field bindweed** *Convolvulus arvensis*
- Field garlic** *Allium vineale*
- Fireweed** *Senecio madagascariensis* **WoNS**
- Flax-leaf broom** *Genista linifolia* **WoNS**
- Fountain grass** *Cenchrus setaceus*
- Gamba grass** *Andropogon gayanus* **WoNS**
- Gazania** *Gazania* spp
- Giant arrowhead** *Sagittaria montevidensis* **Alert Weed**
- Giant reed** *Arundo donax*
- Gorse** *Ulex europaeus* **WoNS**
- Ground asparagus** *Asparagus aethiopicus* **WoNS**.
- Hoary cress** *Cardaria draba*.
- Horehound** *Marrubium vulgare*
- Horsetails** *Equisetum* spp. **Alert Weed**
- Hydrocotyle** *Hydrocotyle ranunculoides* **Alert Weed**
- Hymenachne** *Hymenachne amplexicaulis* and *H. calamitosa* **WoNS**
- Innocent weed** *Cenchrus longispinus* and *Cenchrus spinifex*
- Italian buckthorn** *Rhamnus alaternus*
- Khaki weed** *Alternanthera pungens*
- Kochia** *Bassia scoparia*
- Lagarosiphon** *Lagarosiphon major* **Alert Weed**
- Leafy elodea** *Egeria densa* **Alert Weed**
- Lincoln weed** *Diploptaxis tenuifolia*
- Madeira vine** *Anredera cordifolia* **WoNS**
- May or hawthorn** *Crataegus monogyna*
- Mesquite** *Prosopis* spp. **WoNS – Alert Weed**
- Mexican feathergrass** *Nassella tenuissima* **Alert Weed**
- Miconia** *Miconia* spp.
- Mimosa** *Mimosa pigra* **WoNS**
- Mirror bush** *Coprosma repens*
- Muskweed** *Myagrum perfoliatum*
- Nightstock** *Matthiola longipetala*
- Noogoora burrs** *Xanthium strumarium* spp. agg.
- Nutgrass** *Cyperus rotundus*
- Olive (feral)** *Olea europaea*
- Opuntia cacti** *Opuntia* spp. **WoNS**
- Orange hawkweed** *Hieracium aurantiacum*
- Ornamental asparagus** *Asparagus africanus* **WoNS**
- Pampas grasses** *Cortaderia* spp.
- Parkinsonia** *Parkinsonia aculeata* **WoNS – Alert Weed**
- Parrot feather** *Myriophyllum aquaticum*
- Parthenium weed** *Parthenium hysterophorus* **WoNS – Alert Weed**

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| Perennial ragweed <i>Ambrosia</i> spp. | Tamarisks <i>Tamarix ramosissima</i> and <i>Tamarix parviflora</i> |
| Perennial thistle <i>Cirsium arvense</i> | Texas needlegrass <i>Nassella leucotricha</i> |
| Plumerillo <i>Jarava plumosa</i> Alert Weed | Three corner jack <i>Emex australis</i> |
| Poison buttercup <i>Ranunculus sceleratus</i> | Three-cornered garlic <i>Allium triquetrum</i> |
| Poison ivy <i>Toxicodendron radicans</i> | Three-horned bedstraw <i>Galium tricornutum</i> |
| Polygala <i>Polygala myrtifolia</i> | Toetoe <i>Cortaderia richardii</i> Alert Weed |
| Pond apple <i>Annona glabra</i> WoNS | Tree heath <i>Erica arborea</i> |
| Prickly acacia <i>Vachellia nilotica</i> subsp. <i>indica</i> WoNS | Variiegated thistle <i>Silybum marianum</i> |
| Prickly pear <i>Opuntia</i> spp., excluding <i>O. ficus-indica</i> L. and <i>Tephrocactus</i> spp. WoNS | Water caltrop <i>Trapa natans</i> Alert Weed |
| Primrose willow <i>Ludwigia peruviana</i> Alert Weed | Water dropwort <i>Oenanthe pimpinelloides</i> |
| Ragwort <i>Senecio jacobaea</i> | Water hyacinth <i>Eichhornia crassipes</i> WoNS – Alert Weed |
| Rhus tree <i>Toxicodendron succedaneum</i> | Water soldier <i>Stratiotes aloides</i> Alert Weed |
| Rubber vine <i>Cryptostegia grandiflora</i> WoNS | White weeping brooms <i>Retama monosperma</i> and <i>Retama raetam</i> |
| Sagittaria <i>Sagittaria platyphylla</i> WoNS | Wild artichoke <i>Cynara cardunculus</i> |
| Salvation Jane <i>Echium plantagineum</i> | Willows <i>Salix</i> spp. WoNS |
| Salvinia <i>Salvinia adnata</i> WoNS – Alert Weed | Witchweeds <i>Striga</i> spp. |
| Senegal tea plant <i>Gymnocoronis spilanthoides</i> Alert Weed | Yellow burrweed <i>Amsinckia</i> spp. |
| Serrated tussock <i>Nassella trichotoma</i> WoNS – Alert Weed | |
| Silverleaf nightshade <i>Solanum elaeagnifolium</i> WoNS | |
| Skeleton weed <i>Chondrilla juncea</i> | |
| Spiny rush <i>Juncus acutus</i> | |
| Swamp oak <i>Casuarina glauca</i> and <i>Casuarina obesa</i> | |
| Sweet briar <i>Rosa rubiginosa</i> | |
| Sweet pittosporum <i>Pittosporum undulatum</i> | |

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