

Common estimates for local native gardens

This list is not exhaustive but is a good start to planning your grant application.

Plant growth guide

This guide can be used to calculate how many plants you will need for an area.

Trees: allow 4-10 metres spread for trees (native pines are more compact, and red gums can eventually be very large).

Large shrubs: allow a spread of 2-3 metres

Small shrubs and ground covers: allow 1-2 metres

Grasses, herbs and sedges: plant 30cm apart in clumps

For a list of native plant growers go to http://www.naturalresources.sa.gov.au/files/b87a07d2-0fab-4504-a2cf-a3f700c19e36/native-nursery-list_landscape-nov14.pdf

To assist with plant selection, read Adelaide Gardens planting guide (<http://www.naturalresources.sa.gov.au/files/c179bb5e-c7a1-4b8d-acbc-a27a00d7d298/adelaide-gardens-planting-guide-bro.pdf>) or Coastal Gardens planting guide (<http://www.naturalresources.sa.gov.au/files/f46b0b4e-7fd5-4d3b-9adf-a27a00d7dbe0/coastal-gardens-guide-bro.pdf>).

Budget estimates

Auger hire (helps dig holes for plants): \$100 a day

Binoculars: \$30 each for standard quality

Boulders: 3 boulders 1metre diameter can cost \$700 including delivery

Fruit tree: \$30-\$60 depending on the variety per common fruit tree

In-kind labor: \$25 an hour for adults, students not included

Interpretive signage: professionally designed interpretive signage can cost up to \$1500

Logs: Should be able to ask for donations from tree arborist or families, may be a cost involved in transporting logs

Macro-invertebrate nets: \$50 each

Local native plants: \$2 per seedling

Soil: \$30-50 per cubic metre or trailer of soil costs about \$120.

Small rocks (20mm aggregate): \$200 per tonne and up to \$60 for delivery

Trailer of mulch: \$45 or try asking for donations from your local council

Tree guards: \$1.50-\$2.50 each, can ask for donations from Natural Resources AMLR or your local council

