Koala Food Trees in the Scenic Rim

Koalas need a **variety** of food trees. They will use a range of trees found naturally in their territories and are adapted to those species. Trees planted to extend the range of Koalas need to be ***those species found in the local area*** as Koalas may not use a non-local planted tree. Try to promote ***natural regeneration from local seed,*** if possible.

The following is a list of Koala food trees found in the Scenic Rim. These trees prefer different types of soils and aspects and need to be planted in areas that suit.

Most Favoured Trees

TREE SPECIES	LOCATION
Queensland Blue Gum (*Eucalyptus tereticornis*)	Prefers fertile areas – fertile creek flats and drier slopes
Tallowwood (*E. microcorys*)	Prefers deeper moister soils on slopes
Grey Gum (*E. major*)	Well-drained soils in wetter areas
Small-fruited Grey Gum (*E. propinqua*)	Well-drained soils on slopes
Gum-topped Box (*E. moluccana*)	Prefers areas with clay soils
Spotted Gum (*Corymbia citriodora* var *variegata*)	Dry well-drained slopes
Narrow-leaved Red Gum (*E. seeana*)	Sandy loam with some clay

Trees also Used

TREE SPECIES	LOCATION
Grey Ironbark (*E. siderophloia*)	Wide variety of soils
Narrow-leaved Ironbark (*E. crebra*)	Dry well-drained slopes
Broad-leaved Ironbark (*E. fibrosa* ssp *fibrosa*)	Dry well-drained stony slopes
Pink Bloodwood (*C. intermedia*)	Wide variety of deeper soils
White Mahogany (*E. acmenoides*)	Dry well-drained slopes
Thin-leaved Stringybark (*E. eugenioides*)	Deeper volcanic soils on slopes
Brush Box (*Lophostemon confertus*)	Moist gullies
Scribbly Gum (*E. racemosa*)	Sandy deeper soils

Please Note: Koalas may be seen sleeping in all sorts of trees – but sleeping is different from eating. When they get hungry they climb down and find a food tree.