

QLDC Planting Guide - Ground cover

This document is intended as guidance only. Please discuss your plant selection with QLDC Parks Officers, as approval will be at their discretion. There are instances where some plants will, or will not, be appropriate to plant.

Reviews:

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 Role Parks Officer
 Frequency Bi-annually

Botanical Name	Common Name	Street	Park	Waterway/ Riparian	Reason Unsuitable	Native/ Exotic	Type
<i>Acaena anserinifolia</i>	bidibidi	No	No	No	Maintenance requirements	Native	Ground cover
<i>Acaena buchananii</i>	bidibid, pipiriri	No	No	No	Maintenance requirements	Native	Ground cover
<i>Aciphylla aurea</i>	golden speargrass	No	No	No	Sharp leaves	Native	Ground cover
<i>Agapanthus species</i>	lily of the nile	No	No	No	Weed species	Exotic	Ground cover
<i>Apodasmia similis</i>	oi oi	No	No	No	trip hazard, specific growing conditions - does not tolerate long periods of dry typical of this district	Native	Ground cover
<i>Arctostaphylos uva-ursi 'Radiant'</i>	manzanita	Yes	Yes	No	Debris	Exotic	Ground cover
<i>Astelia fragrans</i>	bush lily	No	Yes	Yes	Trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Astelia nervosa</i>	mountain lily	No	Yes	Yes	Trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Austroderia richardii</i>	toetoe	No	No	Yes	Trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Bergenia cordifolia</i>	bergenia	Yes	Yes	No	Debris (Excludes varieties that are banned nationally)	Exotic	Ground cover
<i>Carex buchananii</i>	Buchanan's sedge	No	Yes	No	Trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Carex secta</i>	makura	No	No	Yes	Specific growing conditions	Native	Ground cover
<i>Carex species</i>	carex	No	Yes	No	Trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Carex testacea</i>	sedge	No	Yes	No	Trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Rosa 'flower carpet'</i>	carpet rose	No	No	No	Maintenance requirements	Exotic	Ground cover
<i>Chionochloa rigida</i>	narrow-leaved snow tussock	No	Yes	No	Trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Chionochloa rubra</i>	red tussock	No	Yes	Yes	Trip hazard, specific growing conditions - does not tolerate dry north-facing sites	Native	Ground cover
<i>Cistus varieties</i>	rock rose	No	Yes	No	Maintenance requirements	Exotic	Ground cover
<i>Coprosma acerosa</i>	dwarf coprosma	No	Yes	No	Specific growing conditions, growth habit	Native	Ground cover
<i>Coprosma acerosa 'Red Rocks' & 'Dun'</i>	dwarf coprosma	No	Yes	No	Specific growing conditions, growth habit	Native	Ground cover
<i>Coprosma brunnea</i>	dwarf coprosma	No	Yes	No	Specific growing conditions	Native	Ground cover
<i>Coprosma 'Hawera'</i>	coprosma	Yes	Yes	No	Specific growing conditions	Native	Ground cover
<i>Cotoneaster microphyllus</i>	cotoneaster	No	No	No	Weed species	Exotic	Ground cover
<i>Epimedium sulphureum</i>	barrenwort	No	Yes	No	Maintenance requirements	Exotic	Ground cover
<i>Festuca novae-zelandiae</i>	hard tussock	No	Yes	No	Specific growing conditions	Native	Ground cover
<i>Geranium ground cover varieties</i>	geraniums	Yes	Yes	No	Specific growing conditions	Exotic	Ground cover
<i>Heuchera species</i>	coral bells	No	Yes	No	Specific growing conditions	Exotic	Ground cover
<i>Juncus varieties</i>	rush	No	No	No	Frost tender, trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Juncus edgariae</i>	wiwi, Edgar's rush	No	No	Yes	Trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Muehlenbeckia axillaris</i>	creeping pohuehue	No	No	No	Specific growing conditions, maintenance requirements	Native	Ground cover
<i>Muehlenbeckia complexa</i>	pohuehue	No	No	No	Specific growing conditions, maintenance requirements	Native	Ground cover
<i>Pachysandra terminalis</i>	Japanese pachysandra	No	Yes	No	Specific growing conditions	Exotic	Ground cover
<i>Pimelea prostrata</i>	NZ daphne	No	Yes	No	Specific growing conditions	Native	Ground cover
<i>Poa cita</i>	silver tussock	No	Yes	No	Trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Poa colensoi</i>	blue tussock	No	Yes	No	Trip hazard	Native	Ground cover
<i>Polystichum vestitum</i>	prickly shield fern	No	Yes	Yes	Specific growing conditions	Native	Ground cover
<i>Sedum 'autumn joy'</i>	sedum	Yes	Yes	No	Specific growing conditions	Exotic	Ground cover