

BIRD-ATTRACTING PLANTS FOR YOUR GARDEN

Note: All plants listed here are native to Singapore

Species	Family	Conservation Status (RDB 2008)	Habitat	Plant Type	Frugivorous birds	Insectivorous birds	Nectarivorous birds	Notes
<i>Adinandra dumosa</i>	Theaceae	Common	Secondary forest	Tree	+		+	
<i>Ardisia elliptica</i>	Myrsinaceae	Endangered	Tidal areas and seashores	Tall shrub	+			
<i>Cinnamomum iners</i>	Lauraceae	Common	Primary and secondary forest	Tree	+			
<i>Clerodendron deflexum</i>	Lamiaceae	Vulnerable	Lowland to lower montane forest	Shrub	+			
<i>Clerodendron villosum</i>	Lamiaceae	Vulnerable	Wasteland, disturbed areas	Shrub	+			
<i>Cocos nucifera</i>	Arecaceae	Common	Sandy shore	Palm		+	+	
<i>Dillenia suffruticosa</i>	Dilleniaceae	Common	Secondary forest	Shrub	+			
<i>Dysoxylum cauliflorum</i>	Meliaceae	Vulnerable	Lowland and hill forest	Tree	+			
<i>Erycibe maingayi</i>	Convolvulaceae	Nationally extinct	Lowland forest	Shrub / climber	+			
<i>Fagraea auriculata</i>	Gentianaceae	Critically endangered	Lowland and hill forest	Shrubby epiphyte / small tree	+			
<i>Fagraea fragrans</i>	Gentianaceae	Common	Open and swampy places	Tree	+	+	+	

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<i>Ficus caulocarpa</i>	Moraceae	Common	Widespread	Strangler	+	+		Also bat-attracting
<i>Ficus heteropleura</i>	Moraceae	Common	Lowland to montane forest	Epiphytic shrub	+	+		Also bat-attracting
<i>Ficus microcarpa</i>	Moraceae	Common	Swampy places	Tree	+	+		Also bat-attracting
<i>Ficus variegata</i>	Moraceae	Common	Open country and forest margins	Tree	+	+		Also bat-attracting
<i>Flacourtia rukam</i>	Salicaceae	Vulnerable	Lowland forest	Tree	+			
<i>Ixora lobbi</i>	Rubiaceae	Endangered	Lowland to montane forest	Shrub / small tree			+	
<i>Ixora pendula</i>	Rubiaceae	Endangered	Montane forest	Shrub			+	
<i>Lumnitzera littorea</i>	Combretaceae	Endangered	Back mangrove / sandy shore	Tree			+	
<i>Lumnitzera racemosa</i>	Combretaceae	Endangered	Mangrove	Tree			+	
<i>Macaranga heynei</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Common	Secondary forest	Treelet	+			
<i>Macaranga hypoleuca</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Common	Secondary forest	Treelet	+			
<i>Melastoma malabathricum</i>	Melastomaceae	Common	Secondary forest	Shrub	+	+		
<i>Memecylon amplexicaule</i>	Melastomaceae	Critically endangered	Lowland and hill forest	Treelet	+			
<i>Memecylon</i>	Melastomaceae	Critically	Coastal	Tree				

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<i>caeruleum</i>		endangered						
<i>Memecylon edule</i>	Melastomaceae	Endangered	Coastal	Treelet	+			
<i>Myrica esculenta</i>	Myricaceae	Common	Secondary forest	Tree	+			
<i>Myristica cinnamomea</i>	Myristicaceae	Critically endangered	Lowland and hill forest	Tree	+			
<i>Olea brachiata</i>	Oleaceae	Vulnerable	Rocky shore	Tree	+			
<i>Oncosperma tigillarum</i>	Arecaceae	Vulnerable	Coastal	Palm	+			
<i>Pellacalyx axillaris</i>	Rhizophoraceae	Endangered	Damp or wet lowland forest	Tree	+			
<i>Rhodamnia cinerea</i>	Myrtaceae	Common	Secondary forest	Tree	+	+		
<i>Rhodomyrtus tomentosa</i>	Myrtaceae	Common	Open sandy ground	Shrub	+			
<i>Scaveola taccada</i>	Goodeniaceae	Common	Sandy shore	Shrub	+			
<i>Sophora tomentosa</i>	Fabaceae	Critically endangered	?	Shrub			+	
<i>Sterculia parviflora</i>	Lauraceae	Critically endangered	Lowland forest	Tree	+			
<i>Sterculia rubiginosa</i>	Lauraceae	Vulnerable	Lowland and hill forest	Tree	+		+	
<i>Sterculiacoccinea</i>	Lauraceae	Vulnerable	Lowland forest	Shrub / small tree	+			
<i>Streblus elongatus</i>	Moraceae	Vulnerable	Lowland forest	Tree	+			
<i>Syzygium grande</i>	Myrtaceae	Common	Coastal	Tree	+	+	+	
<i>Syzygium polyanthum</i>	Myrtaceae	Common	Lowland forest	Tree	+			
<i>Syzygium zeylanicum</i>	Myrtaceae	Common	Seashore and river banks	Treelet	+			

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<i>Syzygium lineatum</i>	Myrtaceae	Common	Secondary forest and open places	Tree	+	+		
<i>Tabernaemontana corymbosa</i>	Apocynaceae	Endangered	Lowland and hill forest	Shrub / small tree	+			
<i>Thespesia populnea</i>	Malvaceae	Common	Sandy and rocky shore	Tree			+	
<i>Trichosanthes celebica</i>	Cucurbitaceae	Vulnerable	Forest margins	Climber	+			
<i>Trichosanthes wallichiana</i>	Cucurbitaceae	Vulnerable	Forest margins	Climber	+			
<i>Trichosanthes wawraei</i>	Cucurbitaceae	Vulnerable	Forest margins	Climber	+			
<i>Vitex pinnata</i>	Lamiaceae	Common	Disturbed forest	Tree	+	+	+	

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