General reference list

The following list contains selected references in property management and on the name, distribution, and biology of Victorian plants and animals. There are many more references to which you could refer. The list grows yearly. Ask at your local library for assistance in finding these references and for new related titles. We have also added some internet sites. For clarity, each reference shown below has the following format: title, author, date of publication, publisher.

Distribution and identification

Software
Victorian Flora Database on CD Rom and Victorian Butterfly Database on CD ROM
Produced by Viridans Biological Databases.
Available from Outdoors Information Centre, NRE, Tel: (03) 9412 4011 or Viridans (03) 9596 8592.

Maps and lists
Atlas of Victorian Wildlife/Flora
Information System/Wetlands database
Arthur Rylah Institute, Department of Natural Resources and Environment, 123 Brown Street, Heidelberg, 3084.
Tel: (03) 9450 8600.
Lists or maps available on request.

Mammals (including bats)
Mammals of Victoria: Distribution, Ecology and Management
The Mammals of Australia
Excellent pictorial key.
Australian Natural History Series, University of NSW Press:
Triggs, B. (1996); The Wombat.
Lee, A. & Martin, R. (1996); The Koala.
Mansergh, I. & Broome, L. (1994); The Mountain Pygmy Possum
Grant, T. (1995); The Platypus.
Augee, M. & Gooden, B. (1993); Echidnas of Australia and New Guinea
Stahel, C. & Gales, R. (1991); Little Penguin, Fairy Penguins in Australia
Dawson, T.J. (1995); Kangaroos, Biology of the largest Marsupials.
Reilly, P. (1988); The Lyrebird, A Natural History.
King, D. & Green, B. (1993).Goanna, The Biology of the Varanid Lizards

Birds
Field Guides
by Simpson, K. and Day, N.; Slater, P. et al.; Pizzey, G.
All are excellent for the identification of Victorian birds.
Readers Digest Complete Book of Australian Birds
Atlas of Victorian Birds
Simple, brief summary of the biology of each species in Victoria; distribution maps.
The Atlas of Australian Birds
Useful summary of general biology, and an introduction to scientific literature; distribution maps.

**Ecology of Birds, an Australian Perspective**

**Shorebirds in Australia**

**Australian Waterbirds: a Field Guide**

**Waterfowl in Australia**

**Reptiles & Amphibians**
Reptiles and Amphibians of Australia

General distribution maps, simple account of biology.

**The Snakes of Victoria**

**Australia’s Reptiles**

**Frogwatch Field Guide to Victorian Frogs**

Frogwatch Tape of frog calls also available.

**Australian Frogs, a Natural History**

**A Field Guide to Australian Frogs**

**Fish**

**A Guide to the Freshwater Fish of Victoria**

An excellent guide to the species, their habitat requirements and distribution. Colour photographs.

**Biological Information for Management of Native Freshwater Fish in Victoria**

Distribution maps, life history, habitat and management requirements, reference list, colour photos

**Australian Freshwater Fishes**

Information on habitat changes, fish management, and biology of freshwater fish. Australia wide coverage. Colour photographs.

**Freshwater Fishes of South-eastern Australia (New South Wales, Victoria and Tasmania)**

**Invertebrates**

**General**

**Name that Insect: A Guide to the Insects of South-eastern Australia**

**Worms to Wasps**

Excellent aid to general identification with notes on biology, ecology.

**A Field Guide to Australian Butterflies**

**A Field Guide to Insects in Australia**

**Butterflies of Australia, A Field Guide**
Flying Colours. Common Caterpillars, Butterflies and Moths of South-eastern Australia

**The Silken Web - a Natural History of Spiders**
Simon-Brunet, B. (1994), Reed, NSW.

**Spiderwatch - a Guide to Australian Spiders**
Brunet, B. (1996), Reed, Melbourne.

**Freshwater invertebrates**

**Australian Freshwater Life, The Invertebrates of Australian Inland Waters**

Written for the student. Keys, biology and sketches of the various freshwater invertebrates.

**Life in Inland Waters**

Covers all types of life found inhabiting water bodies throughout Australia. Written for the serious student. Chapter on human’s impact.

**Identification and distribution of plants**

**Field guides**

**Native Trees and Shrubs of South-Eastern Australia**

An excellent guide to most of the larger native plants in Victoria with colour photographs and a brief introduction to their ecology. Particularly useful for those with little background knowledge of plants and how they associate into communities.

Easy to use.

**Plants of Western New South Wales**

For plants of the Northern Plains, Mallee and Western Volcanic Plains (i.e. most flat areas in Victoria) this will be a useful guide to the name of virtually all species. Each species photographed.

**LCC Reports**


Maps showing land use, the location of remnant flora, description of the plants occurring in the area. Useful for locating potential seed sources of local native plants and for a description of the local plant communities.

Nothing on how to manage the community. Public land only.

**Field Guide to the Flowers and Plants of Victoria**

Willis, J.H. et al. (1975), Reed.

Ecologically based picture book with a selected sample of plants found in various Victorian environments. Useful as a means of becoming familiar with the range and association of plants. Victorian species.

**A Field Guide to Victoria's Native Grasslands**


**Grasses of New South Wales**

Wheeler, D.J.B. et al. (1982), Univ. of New England, Armidale.

Keys, descriptions, line drawings. Presented in a way that is helpful to learners.

**The Grasses, particularly those of Victoria, Australia**

Duigan, S.L. (1987, Botany School, Univ. of Melbourne.

**Australian Grasses Vol. 3**


**Native Grasses Identification Handbook for Temperate Australia**


A **Field Guide to Victorian Wattles**


**Beach Plants of South-eastern Australia**


**The Orchids of Victoria**


**Field Guide to the Orchids of NSW and Victoria**


**Aquatic Plants of Australia**


A **Field Guide to the Fungi of South-eastern Australia**


Colour photo of each species, informative descriptions.

**Ferns and Allied Plants of Victoria, Tasmania and South Australia**


Keys to species, mainly B & W photos and sketches.

**Southern Australian Liverworts**

Scott, G.A.M. (1985), AGPS.

**Name that Flower, the Identification of Flowering Plants**


**Flora of Victoria**

Only for the serious plant identifier.

**Regional guides**

**Greening What Where: An Environmental Resource Directory for the Port Phillip and Westernport Region**

2nd edition, Greening Australia (Victoria).

Lists guides for the area covered.

**The Distribution and Conservation of Vascular Plants in Victoria**


**Ferns and Fern Allies of the Upper Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges**


Lists plants native to the Melbourne area.

**Floristic Vegetation Map of the Melbourne Area**

Cheal, D. et al. (1990), Department of Conservation and Environment.

**Wildflowers of Bendigo**

Bendigo Field Naturalists Club (1988). Bendigo FNC.

A **Field Guide to the Grampians Flora**


**Guide to Plants of the Little Desert and Mt Arapiles Area**

Rogers, F. (1988),

**The Mallee in Flower**


**Native Plants of the Macedon Range - A Field Guide**

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Plant Identikit
Pocket guides to Wilson’s Promontory, The Otway Ranges, Sherbrooke Forest and the Dandenongs, the Grampians.

A Walk Through Black Hill Reserve: Flora and Fauna of Central Victoria

Mount Evelyn’s Original Garden: Plants of the Northern Dandenongs
Edwards, J. et al. (1988), MEEPPA

Peninsula Plants. A Field Guide to Indigenous Plants of the Mornington Peninsula Suitable for Cultivation


The Forgotten Forest. A Field Guide to Victoria’s Box and Ironbark Country
Victorian National Parks Association (1994),

The Coast and Hinterland in Flower
Field Guide to plants found along the coast of Victoria as well as south of the Princes Highway

Plants of Melbourne’s Western Plains, A Gardeners Guide to the Original Flora

Plant uses
Costermans (page 2) has comments on the uses of timber for some species of native plants, especially eucalypts.

Useful Wild Plants in Australia

WildLime: Cooking from the Bushfood Garden
120 bushfood recipes with notes on cultivation, harvesting and cooking, suppliers and nurseries.

Koorie Plants, Koorie People:
Traditional Aboriginal Food, Fibre and Healing Plants of Victoria

Flora of Victoria (Vol. 1: Introduction) 'Use of Victorian plants by Koories'

Weeds
Noxious Weeds of Victoria
Parsons, W.T. (1976), Inkata.

A Field Guide to the Weeds in Australia
Weeds

Environmental Weed Resource Directory
NRE. (1996), Information on contacts, weed books, booklets, legislation, strategies, policies, guidelines, slides and much more.

Environmental Weed Invasions in Victoria: Conservation & Management
Carr, G.W., Yugovic, J.V. & Robinson, K.E. (1992), DCE.
Examines the environmental weed flora of Victoria, its origins, dispersal, risks and management options (doesn’t give controls for individual species)

Noxious Weeds of Australia

Australian Weed Control Handbook

Plant diseases and pests
Tree Diseases in Victoria

Dieback - Death of an Australian Landscape
Heatwole, H. & Lowman, M. (1986), Reed, NSW.

Insect Pests of Eucalypts on Farmland and in Plantations in South-eastern Australia
CSIRO Division of Entomology Identification leaflets.

Bush regeneration and revegetation
Bush Regeneration

Bringing Back the Bush
Practical guide to removing introduced plants from natural bushland areas.

Bush Regeneration - Recovering Australian Landscapes
Buchanan, R. (1989), Tafe NSW.

Revegetation and Land Management Guidelines-Upper Yarra River
Anon., (1987), Upper Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges Authority & MMBW Upper Yarra Region.

Direct Seeding of Trees and Shrub: A Manual for Australian Conditions

Nature Conservation: The Role of Remnants in Nature Conservation (and other titles in this series)
General reference list

Wildlife Corridors and the Conservation of Biodiversity: A Review  
Habitat Corridors - their Role in Wildlife Management and Conservation  
Bennett, A.F. (1990), Department of Conservation and Environment, Melbourne.  
Living Corridors  
Breckwoldt, R. et al. (1990), Greening Australia, Canberra.  
Guidelines for Bush Corridors  
Revegetation Guide for North-eastern Victoria  
Stelling, F. (1994), NRE.  
Seed Collection of Australian Native Plants  
Germination of Local Native Plant Seed  
The Role of Trees in Sustainable Agriculture – Workbook 1 Putting Back the Bush  
The Role of Trees in Sustainable Agriculture – Workbook 2 Making Farm Trees Pay  
Reid, R. (ed.) (1995), Greening Aust., RIRDC & LWRDC.  
From Seeds to Leaves, A Complete Guide to Growing Australian Trees & Shrubs from Seed  

Farm planning  
Nature Conservation on Farms  
Produced for the Certificate in Landcare.  
Enquiries: The Secretary, Continuing Education, CB Alexander Agricultural College, 'Tocal', Patterson, NSW, 2421. 1800 025 520 (freecall) or (02) 4939 8862.  
So You Thought Owning a Small Farm or Property was Easy?  
Property Management Planning for Small Farms and Properties  
Landcare Field Guide: An Introduction to Land Degradation  
NRE.  
Trees for Rural Australia  
Planning for Sustainable Farming, the Potter Farmland Plan Story  
Campbell, A. (1991), Lothian Books & Greening Australia.  
Property Management Planning Manual, From the Ground Up  

Wetlands  
Managing Wetlands on Farms  
Managing your Wetland: a Practical Guide for Landholders  
Oates, N. (1994), NRE  
Wildlife and Farm Dams  
Waterplants in Australia: A Field Guide  
Aquatic Plants of Australia  
Explore Melbourne's Wetlands  

Wildlife management  
Wildlife in the Home Paddock  
An excellent guide for the rural landholder.  

River management  
Manage your Banks: A Practical Guide to Streamside Management, Fencing and Water Supplies  
Contains ideas for managing streams, fencing and water distribution and supply including recommendations on pump selection.  

Problem wildlife  
A Guide to Living with Wildlife: How to Prevent and Control Wildlife Damage in Victoria  

Threatened species  
Rare or Threatened Plants in Victoria  
Extinct and Endangered Plants of Australia  
General reference list

Threats to Victorian Native Freshwater Fish, in Victorian Naturalist

A Review of the Conservation Status of Native Freshwater Fish in Victoria, in Victorian Naturalist

Australian Endangered Species

Management of Endangered Plants
Cropper, S. (1993), CSIRO.

Suburban/Gardens
How to Attract Butterflies to your Garden

The Best of Wildlife in the Suburbs

Victorian Urban Wildlife

Attracting Wildlife to your Garden

Attracting Frogs to your Garden

Secrets of the Seaside Suburbs. A Guide to the Wildlife of Port Phillip

Your Garden Birds

Creating a Native Garden for Birds
Hutchinson, F., (1993), Simon & Schuster Aust, NSW.

Videos
Just a Patch of Scrub

Partnerships with Nature
BHP and Landcare Australia. Accompanying booklet.

Managing Linear Reserves

Other references
A Landholder’s Guide to Bushland Assessment
Anon. (in press Environmental Studies Unit), Charles Sturt University, Panorama Avenue, Bathurst, NSW 2795.

Managing your Bushland

Bushland on Farms - do you have a Choice?

Wildlife Conservation on Planned Properties: A Guidebook for Queensland Landholders
Dorricott, K. and Roberts, B. (1993), University of Southern Queensland, Brisbane.

The Nestbox Book
Grant, J. (compiled by), (1997), Gould League of Victoria Inc.

Grow your own Wildlife: How to Improve your Local Environment,
Johnson, P. and Don, A. (1990), Greening Australia, Canberra. (Qld).

The Last Stand
A testament to the value or retaining native vegetation. Colour photographs. References listed including many on endangered species.

Victoria Felix: Improving Rural Land with Trees
Campbell, R. et al. (1988), Department of Conservation, Forests and Lands & Graduate School of Environmental Science, Monash University.
A guide to establishing trees in rural Victoria with many practical hints on the methods to use and problems to avoid. Wildlife is not dealt with in detail.

Wildlife Watching in Victoria

Historical
Bush Wanderings of a Naturalist,

A Continent Transformed: Human Impact on the Natural Vegetation of Australia

Periodicals
Victorian Naturalist
Journal of the Field Naturalists Club of Victoria
The Bird Observer/Australian Bird Watcher
Indigenotes
Conservation News/Habitat
Newsletter/magazine of the Australian Conservation Foundation
Australian Natural History
Colour magazine produced by the Australian Museum.
Wildlife Australia
Colour magazine of the Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland.
Wingspan
Magazine of the Birds Australia
Trees and Natural Resources
Magazine of the Natural Resources Conservation League
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Internet site bookmarks

Batline
To subscribe to the international batline -listserv@umn.edu

Birds
Birds Australia (RAOU) - http://www.vicnet.net.au/~birdsaus

Remnants
http://www.werple.net.au/~raou/birdwatch.html

International Crane Foundation (ICF) at Baraboo in the US.

BIRDLINE –to subscribe send an email to majordomo@deakin.edu.au with message ‘subscribe birding-aus (add your email address).

Environment Australia (National) - 

Community programs - 

Environmental Resources Information Network (National)

Enviros Australia (local government conservation)

http://www.peg.apc.org/~mcavic/welcome.html

Environment Protection Authority
http://vicnet.net.au/vicnet/epavic.html

Landcare Web

Natural Heritage Trust

Department of Natural Resources and Environment

Society for Growing Aust. Plants

Victorian Farmers Federation
http://www.vff.org.au

Environment Australia

Waterwatch
http://www.vic.waterwatch.org.au

Further information

Land for Wildlife extension officers maintain local reference lists. Contact your nearest office of the Department of Natural Resources and Environment.

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