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Correas

Our Australian Correas are wonderful plants for these demanding conditions. There are prostrate groundcovers through to large shrubs over 6 meters. They are very attractive with their distinctive bell shaped flowers. They grow very well in heavy shade to full sun; and have masses of flowers in Autumn, Winter and Spring. There are many prostrate forms of Correas, but by selecting a range of cultivars from the early flowering *Correa reflexa* types, as well as the later flowering *Correa pulchella* hybrids and forms, you will have a range of Correas in flower in southern gardens, from March to September. *Correa reflexa* is an excellent groundcover. *Correa Pulchella*, *Correa* 'Coffin Bay' and *Correa* 'Pink Mist' should all be considered for the garden. *Correa pulchella* 'White Tips' is an upright form to about 50-cm that is quite unusual. Some Correas are quite large like *Correa* 'Marian's Marvel', (2mx3m), quite lovely in the garden and bird attracting. Many Correas have distinct features that set them apart from other Correas. Many are very hardy and will adapt to the environment very well.

For example the *Correa* 'Kangaroo Island' must be very tough to grow right up to the water in many parts of Kangaroo Island .As is the sub-species *Correa* 'Remarkable Rocks' (below) that grow on the rocks themselves. Dusky Bells is a very popular *Correa* for the Adelaide plains area of the state. *Correa* "Firebird" is thought to be a hybrid between *Correa* 'Reflexa' and *Correa* 'Pulchella', its name refers to the bright colour of the flowers .All in all Correas are a great plant for all gardens enjoying all types of soil. All Correas do quite well in pots. There are many more varieties of Correas available with new plants being produced frequently.



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