



Trees For Life

Paddock Tree Project

Growing the next generation of trees with Trees For Life

Preserve your own piece of the iconic South Australian landscape, ensure ongoing shade and shelter for stock and help stop the rapid decline of native birds. The Paddock Tree Project is an opportunity to be part of a large-scale habitat creation project and leave a legacy of majestic paddock trees on your property.

Trees For Life has partnered with the Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board to deliver the 'Paddock Tree Project' with funds from the Australian Government. By planting 6000 gums, sheoaks and acacias at low density, we aim to establish the next generation of paddock trees across at least 3000 hectares in the lower rainfall area of the northern and eastern Mount Lofty Ranges.

Who can be involved?

Anyone who owns land in the target area (see map over page) can be part of the Paddock Tree project, provided:

- The property has extensive, low-input grazing – preferably sheep;
- You will work with us to help make sure the trees survive and thrive;
- Populations of the target bird species occur nearby (see list over page).

What will it cost?

We will undertake the planting and guarding of the trees at no cost and all we ask is that you work with us to care for them and help them thrive. We will erect tree guards so that you can continue to run stock as before.

How to get involved

Register your interest by calling Trees For Life on (08) 8406 0500 or emailing geoffh@treesforlife.org.au, then one of our team will contact you to provide more details.

If your property does not fit the criteria, Trees For Life may be able to assist you in other ways to achieve your goals.



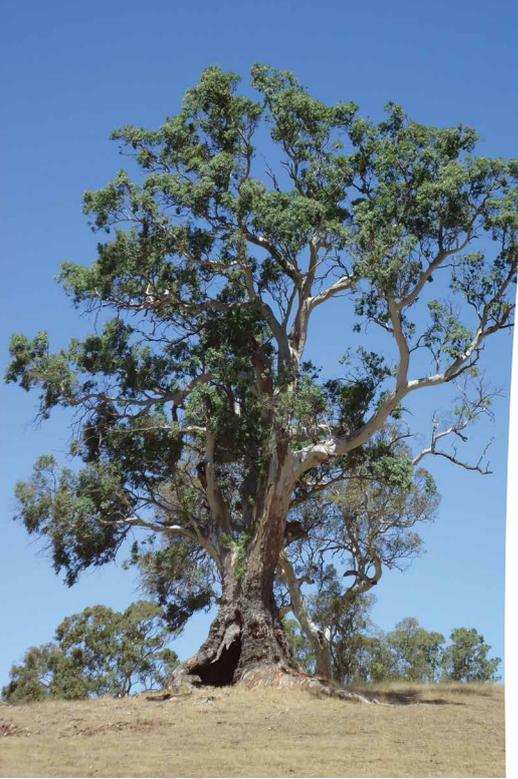


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Why plant scattered trees?

The old scattered paddock trees that are iconic of the low rainfall grazing country in the Northern and Eastern Mount Lofty Ranges provide shelter and shade for stock, and improve soil condition and invertebrate diversity.

Recent studies have shown that landscapes with minimal farming input, scattered tree cover and fallen timber, provide critical habitat for a number of declining bird species that have already been lost from other parts of the ranges. These include:

- Diamond Firetail
- Brown Treecreper
- Red-rumped Parrot
- Thornbills
- Hooded Robin and
- Red-capped Robin

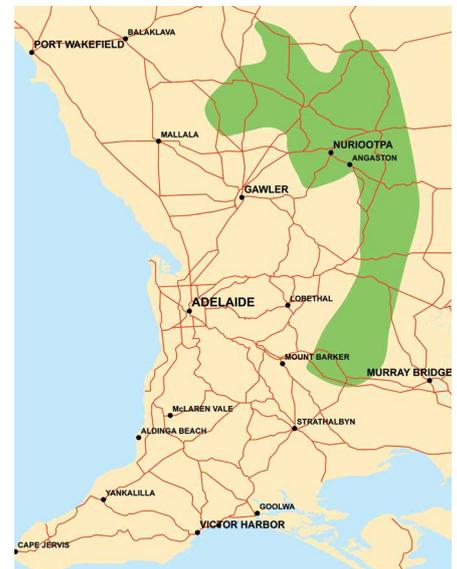
Unfortunately, when the current generation of trees die, there may not be young trees to replace them unless we act now. There are very few young trees in the landscape.

If the paddock tree layer is lost, these woodland birds are likely to disappear and these beautiful landscapes will be lost.

If you join the project

- A small investment of your time and effort will make a big difference and help us ensure we keep iconic trees and declining birds in the landscape
- You will be part of a special group of people making a big impact by growing the next generation of paddock trees across a large area of country
- Our field officers will visit your property to undertake preliminary surveys
- We will provide the trees and plant them with you, using specially designed tree guards
- You can have input into where the trees are planted on your property
- You will continue to be able to manage your property in the same way
- You will need to sign a simple agreement relating to the work on your property.

Project area



Partnerships

This project is supported by the Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board through funding from the Australian Government.

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