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EXCITING NEW PLANT RELEASES FROM OZBREED

Ozbreed has been busy behind the scenes, breeding and testing several exciting new releases for landscape professionals and gardeners alike.

Kicking off the new plant announcements is the Callistemon Burst Series, including Candy Burst™, Fluro Burst™, Icy Burst™, Snow Burst™, and Sweet Burst™ Callistemons. A standout in Callistemon breeding excellence, the bright flowers in white or a rainbow of pinks emerge in spring, attracting birds and pollinators to the landscape. The Colour Burst series range in height from 1-1.5m and 90cm-1.2m wide, making the perfect for reliable understory planting. They maintain their neat compact shape over the years, requiring little pruning.

Well-known for delivering improved native varieties, Ozbreed has four new additions for their native shrub and groundcover range to announce.

Blue Horizon™ Eremophila is a tidy, blue-grey undulating groundcover which spreads in a cloud-like form over rockeries, in garden beds, or when mass planted on verges or roadsides. In an extraordinary leap for plant breeding Ozbreed has managed improve this native to thrive on the east coast of Australia, tolerating conditions far beyond the common form's capabilities which usually only survives in dry and desert areas.

Ozbreed Flat White™ Pandorea is a new native alternative to a popular exotic, Star Jasmine. Unlike common Pandorea that tends to be leggy and vigorous only at the top of the plant, Ozbreed Flat White™ Pandorea is selected for its natural foliage density at ground level when used as a climber. This makes it excellent for screening along fencelines or in narrow spaces. If unsupported, this plant will ramble into a thick groundcover that suppresses weeds.

Aussie Flat Bush™ Rhagodia is a more compact and reliable form of the common saltbush. It maintains its shape with little or no maintenance and responds well to pruning if a formal shape is desired. The eye-catching, grey-blue foliage suits large-scale landscaped areas requiring weed suppression, especially in harsher environments such as in coastal conditions.

Coastal Pink™ Correa is a pink flowering form of the popular *Correa alba*. A sculptural plant with dark green and bronze toned foliage, it stays at a compact size for small hedges or natural looking shrubs. An excellent survivor by the coast, its pink bell-shaped flowers are highly attractive to birds.

On the back of breeding experience that brought landscape professionals Tanika® Lomandra, the top selling Lomandra variety in Australia for nearly 20 years, Ozbreed has two new Lomandra varieties to announce.

Evergreen Baby™ Lomandra is a compact, tough Lomandra with attractive deep-green, fine foliage. About half the size of Tanika® Lomandra, Evergreen Baby™ Lomandra is suited for low line of sight planting requirements or as foreground plants to create a layered effect in residential or landscaped designs. This is non-seeding form, making it safer to plant near bushland and national parks, with golden-yellow flowers in spring.

Pacific Sky™ Lomandra is a blue-hued Lomandra confertifolia with strong rhizome activity that has seen it perform better in heavy soils and full sun than other L. confertifolia trial plants. The dense fine-leaved foliage and arching habit adds appeal to mass plantings, mixed species clumped plantings and native style landscapes.

From hedging plants to winter flowers, Ozbreed also has some exciting new exotic plants to announce.

Branching into a new category, Ozbreed has bred three improved hardy Aloe plants including Sea Urchin™, Mighty Coral™ and Mighty Gold™ Aloes. The popularity of succulents in the Australian landscape is soaring, due to their durability, resistance to heat and striking architectural forms. Ozbreed's Aloes require far less water during establishment phase, perfect where sites are difficult to irrigate when installing. These Aloes are also compact to maintain line of sight requirements when planting on roadsides. Not just hardy, this range of Aloes spectacularly flowers in winter, adding colour to the landscape when many other plants are dormant.

Completely unique, Velvet sky™ Metrosideros boasts eye-catching, inky-blue stems and leaves that puts the common green form to shame. The showy, red-orange flowers that bloom in spring create a beautiful contrast to the blue splashed foliage. It is a mid to tall shrub that suits accent planting or makes a great dense screen or hedge.

Sweet Privacy™ Murraya is a dense screening hedge adorned with white fragrant flowers from spring to autumn. It is lower maintenance than regular Murraya form and just as reliable planted as a tidy hedge that is neither too big or too small. In full sun to part shade and in most soil types, hide unsightly views with this perfect Murraya.

Finally, another reliable hedge to add to the Ozbreed portfolio is Thin Red™ Photinia. This improved form has a smaller footprint for narrow garden beds and shrinking backyards that still allows full use of the garden for recreation. Small white flowers bloom in mid to late spring while new growth appears in flushes of red.

All of these thoroughly tested and trialed plants from Ozbreed add new opportunities to the landscape designers' toolkit. Bred for purpose they each solve a problem, whether it be weed suppression or unsightly views to shrinking backyard sizes and the constant desire for something unique.

For more information on these new plants, download Ozbreed's [new plant brochure](#) or visit www.ozbreed.com.au

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About Ozbreed

Ozbreed Green Life is a plant breeding, marketing, and distribution company well-known for their no fuss, functional and reliable landscape plants.

Trusted by landscape professionals to handle the toughest conditions, they have been planted on roadsides, in large commercial projects, award-winning residential landscapes and in gardens Australia-wide as well as internationally.

From its inception, Ozbreed focused on breeding plants that were tough enough to withstand the climatic extremes of drought and flood, that were low maintenance and reliable in their horticultural uniformity and performance. Each new release product is backed by over 20 years of breeding experience and an average of 5-10 years of thorough testing on each plant.