



Plant Smart

A VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PARTNERSHIP



Be Smart before you Plant

- check with your local council to see what policy it has for street tree planting
<https://www.ergon.com.au/network/safety/home-safety/trees-and-powerlines/plant-smart-council-brochures>
- consider overhead and underground services, clearways, pedestrian safety and visibility issues – If in doubt call “Dial Before You Dig” on 1100
- consider how high and how wide your plant will grow. Ergon Energy stipulates nothing taller than 4 metres under powerlines and a minimum distance of 3 metres from its power poles
- Plan your planting and research your plant selection, particularly with powerline friendly varieties if planting near, or under powerlines
- Seek advice from your local nursery to assist with suitable plant selection
<https://www.ergon.com.au/network/safety/home-safety/trees-and-powerlines/plant-smart-nurseries>

And Remember - Some plants are just not suitable for planting near powerlines because they grow too tall, or have a tendency to blow over, or drop limbs. For example:

- Tall bamboos
- Tall palms
- Tall Eucalypt Gum trees
- Climbing vines
- Peppercorn trees
- Camphor Laurel
- Yellow flame tree
- African mahogany
- Weeping fig
- Pink trumpet tree

Save time, effort and money - Do it Right – Do it Once!