

The table below shows changes to the Declared Protected Flora list as of 16 May 2024. The complete Declared Protected Flora list can be found online at <https://www.environment.vic.gov.au/conserving-threatened-species/protected-flora-and-listed-fish>

Under the Act, the Minister may only recommend that a non-listed taxon is declared to be protected flora if the Minister is satisfied that a declaration is necessary:

- a) to ensure that the taxon survives and retains its capacity to adapt to environmental change.
- b) to ensure that the use of the taxon is sustainable.
- c) to manage risks to the taxon; or
- d) to ensure that genetic diversity of the taxon is maintained.

The complete Ministerial guidance document for listing species on the Declared Protected Flora List can be found at the link above.

PROTECTED FLORA LIST - KEY					
Taxa	Details	Common	*When?	Protection Status	Why?
<i>Acacia</i>	All except:	Wattles	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	At risk from collection for bush food industry. All species except for the below are protected under restricted use.
	<i>A. dealbata</i>		1988	No change	Was previously unprotected – no change.
	<i>A. decurrens</i>		1988	No change	Was previously unprotected – no change. Not considered native to Victoria.
	<i>A. implexa</i>		1988	No change	Was previously unprotected – no change.
	<i>A. longifolia</i>		1988	General protection revoked.	Was previously protected under blanket protection – is common and even invasive in some areas.
	<i>A. melanoxylon</i>		1988	No change	Was previously unprotected – no change.
	<i>A. paradoxa</i>		1988	No change	Was previously unprotected – no change.
	<i>A. sophorae</i>		1988	General protection revoked.	Was previously protected under blanket protection – is common and even invasive in some areas.
<i>Aciphylla glacialis</i>		Snow aciphyll	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Asteraceae</i>	All	Daisies	1996	General protection revoked.	Family was previously listed in 1996 to protect from wildflower industry. Feedback from consultation was that this blanket protection was unnecessary, and that individual genera should be protected (see below).
	<i>Allittia</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.
	<i>Argentipallium</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . Species have high desirability for commercial exploitation particularly in the florist industry
	<i>Brachyscome</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.
	<i>Calotis</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.
	<i>Chrysocephalum</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.
	<i>Coronidium</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.

				Redeclared with restricted use.	
	<i>Craspedia</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.
	<i>Helichrysum</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.
	<i>Leucochrysum</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.
	<i>Microseris</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Species are desirable for exploitation for emerging bush foods industry. This could be either seed collection for development of industry or direct harvesting of tap roots. Limited habitat now exists and populations are also vulnerable to damage from activities such as road works and agricultural intensification.
	<i>Olearia</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . Species have high desirability for commercial exploitation particularly in the florist industry
	<i>Podolepis</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.
	<i>Pycnosorus</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.
	<i>Rhodanthe</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Have suffered from extensive loss of habitat, now often have limited distribution, and are at risk from collection and development.
	<i>Xerochrysum</i> genus		1996	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . Species have high desirability for commercial exploitation particularly in the florist industry.
<i>Baeckea</i>	All		1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) and (c) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry and may be vulnerable to myrtle rust (<i>Austropuccinia psidii</i>).
<i>Bauera sessiliflora</i>		Grampians baurea	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Boronia</i>	All	Boronias	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry and limited habitat.
<i>Bossiaea walker</i>		Cactus pea	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Brunonia australis</i>		Blue pincushion	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry and limited habitat.

<i>Calectasia intermedia</i>		Blue tinsel lily	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c) and (d) . Restricted habitat, low numbers and at risk of collection for horticultural industry.
<i>Calostemma purpurem</i>		Garland lily	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Calytrix</i>	All	Fringe myrtles	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry.
<i>Celmisia</i>	All	Silver and silky daisy	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry.
<i>Cheiranthra linearis</i>		Blue finger flower	1988	Removed	Only reason for retention provided during consultation was that there are only two species of <i>Cheiranthra</i> in Victoria (the other is Threatened) and they look similar.
<i>Correa</i>	All	Correas	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry.
<i>Crinum flaccidum</i>		Murray lily	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Darwinia</i>	All	Darwinias	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry.
<i>Dillwynia oreodoxa</i>		Grampians Parrot-pea	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Epacridaceae</i>	All	Heaths	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry and some species as a bush food. Reclassified as <i>Ericaceae</i> .
<i>Eremophila</i>	All	Emu-bushes	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry.
<i>Eriostemon</i>	All	Waxflowers	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry. Reclassified as <i>Philothea</i> .
<i>Gaultheria appressa</i>		Waxberry	1988	Removed	Not included - no reasons given for protection during consultation aside from possible use by florist industry.
<i>Gompholobium</i>	All	Wedge-peas	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry (commercial seed collection).
<i>Grevillea</i>	All	Grevilleas	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture industry.
<i>Hardenbergia violacea</i>		Purple coral-pea	1988	Removed	Not included - no reasons given for protection during consultation aside from possible use by florist industry – however it is already extensively propagated by the horticultural industry.
<i>Helichrysum</i>	All	Everlastings	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	Reclassified as <i>Xerochrysum</i> in <i>Asteraceae</i> (see above).

<i>Helipterum</i>	All	Sunrays	1988	Removed	Has largely been reclassified into other genera that will become restricted use protected flora. Some leftover species (some reclassified into <i>Triptilodiscus</i> and <i>Hyalosperma</i>) were not seen as at risk from collection and so were not included.
<i>Howitta trilocularis</i>		Blue Howittia	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for floristry industry.
<i>Kunzea parvifolia</i>		Violet kunzea	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . Commercial value - at risk of collection for essential oil production.
<i>Livistonia australis</i>		Cabbage Palm	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Lycopodiopsida</i>	All	Lycopods, including club mosses	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	Reclassified from previous listing as <i>Pteridophyta</i> . Restricted for use due to risk of collection for horticulture industry.
<i>Melaleuca gibbosa</i>		Slender Paperbark	1988	Removed	Not included - no reasons for protection aside from possible use by florist industry.
<i>Melaleuca squamea</i>		Mealy Paperbark	1988	Removed	Not included - no reasons for protection aside from possible use by florist industry.
<i>Melaleuca squarrosa</i>		Scented Paperbark	1988	Removed	Not included - no reasons for protection aside from possible use by florist industry.
<i>Melaleuca wilsonii</i>		Violet Paperbark	1988	Removed	Not included - no reasons for protection aside from possible use by florist industry.
<i>Micromyrtus ciliata</i>		Hearth Myrtle	1988	Removed	Not included - no reasons for protection aside from that it's the only member of its genus in Victoria (i.e. to maintain genetic diversity) - No evidence of threat.
<i>Olearia frostii</i>		Bogong Daisy-bush	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Orchidaceae</i>	All	Orchids	1988	No change - Remain generally protected	(a), (b), (c), and (d) . Under threat of 'orchid collectors' in the wild. There are numerous threatened orchids, and only experts can usually distinguish the differences in the field.
<i>Oxalis magellanica</i>		Snowdrop Wood-sorrel	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Polypodiopsida</i>	All – Except bracken (<i>Pteridium esculentum</i>)	Ferns	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	Reclassified from previous listing as <i>Pteridophyta</i> . Restricted for use due to risk of collection for horticulture industry.
<i>Prostanthera</i>	All	Mint-bushes	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for bush foods industry.
<i>Pteridophyta</i>	All – Except bracken (<i>Pteridium esculentum</i>)	Clubmosses, ferns & fern allies	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . <i>Pteridophyta</i> is no longer a widely accepted taxon. This has been split up into <i>Polypodiopsida</i> (ferns), <i>Lycopodiopsida</i> (lycopods, including club mosses).
<i>Pultenaea subalpine</i>		Rosy Bush-pea	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Pultenaea weindorferi</i>		Swamp Bush-pea	1988	No change	Now listed as a threatened species.
<i>Sphagnum</i>	All	Sphagnum mosses	1993	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture
<i>Stylidium</i>	All	Trigger-plants	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(a), (b), (c), and (d) . Less common than in the past. Restricted habitat - distribution and habitat for species is significantly reduced. At risk from collection for horticulture industry.
<i>Telopea oreades</i>		Gippsland Waratah	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture and floristry industries.
<i>Thryptomene</i>	All	Thryptomenes	1988	No change	Both species are now listed as threatened.

<i>Thysanotus</i>	All	Fringe-lillies	1988	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for bush foods industry.
<i>Xanthorrhoea</i>	All	Grass-trees	1989	General protection revoked. Redeclared with restricted use.	(b) . At risk from collection for horticulture and floristry industry.

**The date provided gives the final date of declaration for the species. There may be previous declarations that were made for the species under the (e.g. back in 1931 under the Wild Flowers and Native Plants Protection Act 1930) that were since replaced by the final one.*