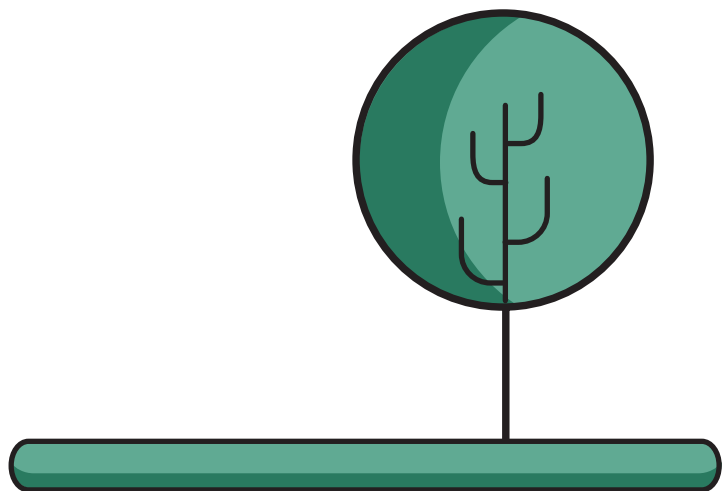


TREE-MENDOUS TREE FACTS

Trees have many benefits for the community and the environment. Some of these benefits include...

- **Reduce Heat:** Green cover created by trees reflects sunlight, increases shade, and has a cooling effect. This not only makes our urban environment more comfortable to live in but it can provide health benefits by reducing the incidents of heat-related illness and death.
- **Energy Efficiency:** Lowering air temperatures by planting trees can reduce the need for air conditioning in the office, school, and at home.
- **Improved air quality:** Leaves on trees and plants trap and remove airborne pollutants from our atmosphere. More trees mean cleaner air.
- **Improved waterways:** Trees and their root systems help improve their surrounding soils and absorb and filter stormwater runoff which helps keep our waterways clean.
- **Noise Reduction:** Planting trees helps to insulate and reduce noise pollution created in busy urban areas.
- **Biodiversity Protection:** Planting trees in urban areas creates much-needed habitat, corridors and food supplies for birds and animals. Biodiversity is vital for a healthy urban environment.

Find out more about the benefits of trees and the ways we're helping Cool the City at yoursaypenrith.com.au/greeningourcity



For more information on how you can help our environment, or to make some suggestions of your own, please go to www.coolaustralia.org

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