

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF STREET TREES?

HEALTHY STREET TREES CAN:



Provide **HABITAT** for birds and other wildlife

REDUCE stormwater run off and erosion



Improve the quality of the **AIR** we breathe



Make Marion more **LIVEABLE**



Improve our health and our **CONNECTION** with nature



Provide **SHADE** and cool our streets and homes



Identify local heritage and have **CULTURAL** significance



WATER IS ESSENTIAL TO A TREE'S SURVIVAL.

Watering a tree outside your home twice or three times a week will make a difference.

For more information view the Tree Management Framework at marion.sa.gov.au

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ADOPT A TREE

Value nature and make Marion more liveable.



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The City of Marion is aiming to increase its tree canopy.

We value your help in establishing these trees.

Trees make our streets and reserves vibrant and beautiful places. They provide shade and keep us cool.

How can I help young trees?

Young trees need help to remain strong and thrive in the long term.

Pour two or three buckets of water around the base each week.

Maintain a holding basin around the tree with soil 10-15cm high around the drip line to contain water.

Should I use tap water?

Water is an important resource, so where possible, use non-potable (non-drinking) water from the bath, shower, sink or washing machine rinse cycle.

How much water does a tree need?

Two or three buckets of water each week.

How can I be water wise?

Watering public trees is voluntary. Water wise measures include watering with a bucket or a hose with a trigger nozzle.

Taking care of a new street tree:

- ✓ Regularly water it
- ✓ Hand pull weeds
- ✓ Add 75 mm of mulch to the base of the plant
- ✓ Report vandalism

Make sure NOT to:

- ✗ Use grass clippings for mulch (it may harm your tree)
- ✗ Prune trees (Council will do regular pruning)
- ✗ Spray herbicides or pesticides
- ✗ Fertilise the tree (Council will fertilise when required)

Tree Tips

- › During wetter months you may not need to water trees as regularly
- › Only carry as much water as you can comfortably manage
- › Don't disturb the soil surface extensively under the tree canopy as this will damage tree roots
- › Spreading mulch under the canopy will help retain soil moisture
- › Don't park vehicles on the verge under trees as this compacts the soil and reduces water infiltration