

Plant Trees Australia



Resimac Project Choice 2024



Option 1 - Urban Projects



Planting in cities for climate change mitigation and reduction of urban heat impacts



Planting "Community Pocket Forests" in schools and communities across Australia using the Miyawaki method, partnering with the Harry Butler Institute, The Groundswell Collective, Queanbeyan Micro-forest Collective and The Climate Factory.

Miyawaki forests are named after their pioneer – Japanese botanist Akira Miyawaki – and were designed as compressed forests for small areas. We are funding these forests in schools and community parks across Australia. For school children, planting Miyawaki forests offers multiple learning opportunities that can be incorporated into STEM (including monitoring growth, species diversity, fauna, etc.). It enables them to take practical action on climate change. Miyawaki forests reach canopy cover faster than traditional afforestation methods and host up to 100 times more biodiversity.

This year, we will fund nine projects across Australia in WA, SA, NSW and ACT.

Option 2 - Degraded Land Projects



Planting on degraded land for biodiversity and ecosystem restoration

Partnering with community groups across the country to revegetate land that has been historically degraded for agriculture. These projects bring together farmers, urban and rural communities to collaborate over a shared purpose: to restore land and create much needed wildlife habitat. Furthermore, these projects build communities environmental stewardship and encourage farmers to collaborate on wildlife corridor projects.



2024 was an exciting year. We maintained our partnership with Regen the Plains in VIC and Activate Tree Planting, WA, collectively planting over 87,000 seedlings.

Additionally, we have been working with our community partners in South Australia, Far North Queensland, and New South Whales to trial the Miyawaki methodology for restoring degraded agricultural land.

Photo: Activate Tree Planting, Nomans Lake, WA

Option 3 - Regional & Remote Projects



Planting in partnership in regional and remote communities



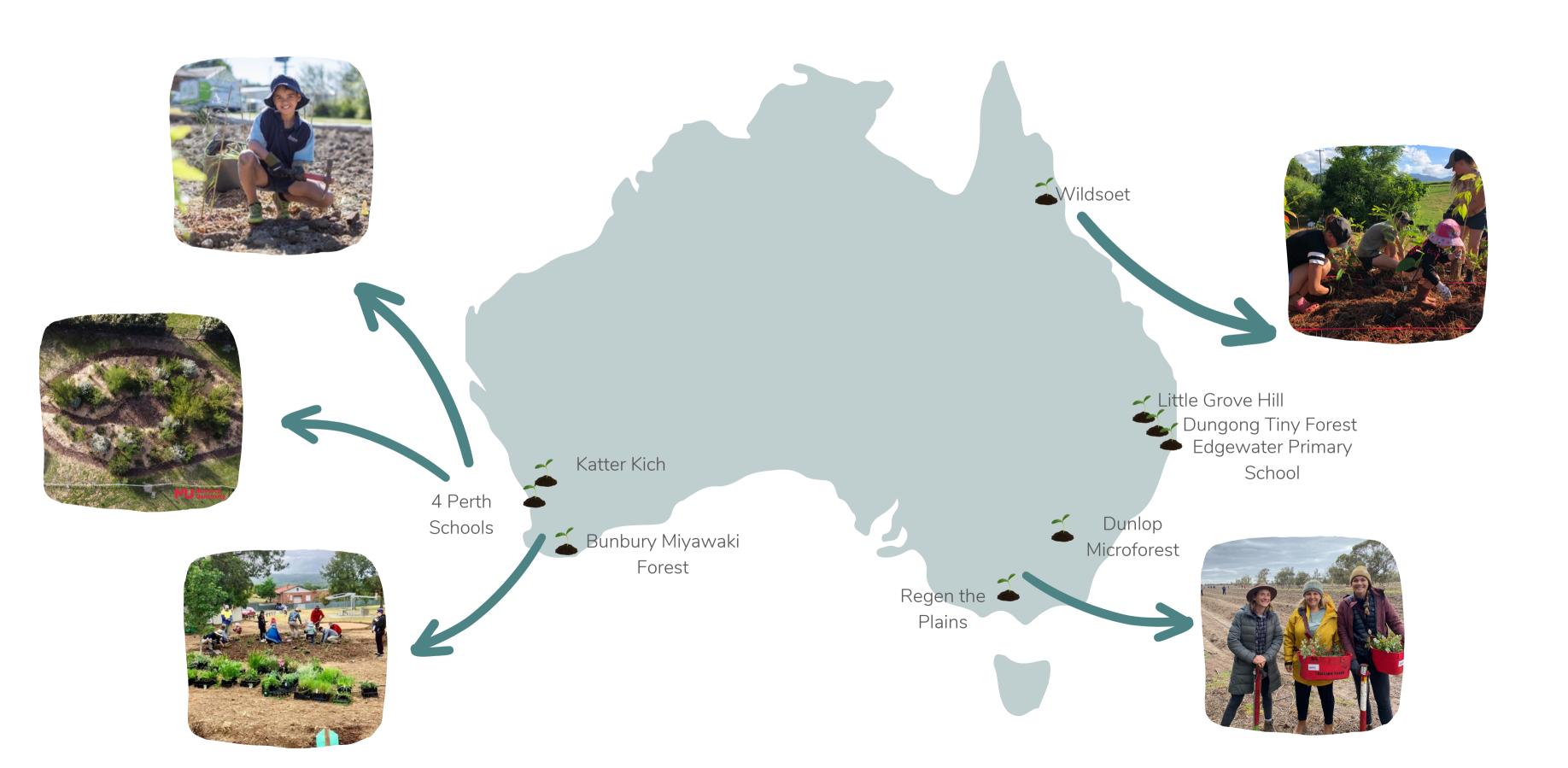
Some of Australia's unique rainforest ecosystems are found in the Wet Tropics of Far North Queensland. Together with our partners Brettacorp Inc. and Daintree Life, we are working to reforest previously cleared and consequently degraded land. These projects aim to restore the ecological function of the local rainforests and connect remnant forests, creating wildlife corridors where endangered and threatened species such as the Southern Cassowary and the Spectacled Flying Fox can forage and nest.

Reforesting degraded rainforests in this region offers secondary ecosystem benefits. It helps stabilise the soil, reducing nutrient and sediment runoff from nearby farmland into the Daintree water catchment, which drains into the Great Barrier Reef. Research has shown that nutrient runoff has devastating impacts on coral ecosystems.

School groups and local communities support the planting of these projects, not just on planting day but throughout the year, helping with activities such as weeding and watering.

Community forests for 2025





2025 Confirmed Community Projects

Edgewater Primary School

NSW

Little Grove Hill Tiny Forest

NSW

Dungog Tiny Forest

NSW

Dunlop Microforest

ACT

Wildsoet Reforestation

QLD

Regen the Plains
Tree Planting
Festival

VIC

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WA

4 Miyawaki School Forests

WA

Bunbury Miyawaki Forest

WA



2024 Community Impact



Statement for your ESG reporting 2024:

<u>Plant Trees Australia</u>, an initiative of Carbon Positive Australia, is working with Community and Landcare groups across Australia to plant thousands of trees in our cities and regional areas. Resimac customer contributions supported **850 volunteers**, funded tree planting, and facilitated participation in the initiative.

Eleven registered community planting projects registered with the initiative across four Australian states. Resimac customers contributed towards the planting of **103,369 trees** evenly split across the project choices of Urban Pocket Forests, Degraded land plantings and tree planting in regional and remote areas.

2024 Community Impact



11 Community Projects



103,369 trees planted

850 Volunteers Participated







Thank you

from Catherine Patterson, Head of Partnerships and all of the team here at Carbon Positive Australia

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