

# DON'T BE CASUAL WITH CACTUS

All cactus species are exotic to Australia. Our dry climate is like home to most cactus species, making invasion by these drought tolerant plants very easy. Species can spread by seed or by stem segments that root readily to form new plants.

**Prickly Pear**  
*Opuntia stricta*



**Coral Cactus**

*Cylindropuntia fulgida* var. *mamillata*

**Riverina Pear**  
*Opuntia elata*



**Dispose of unwanted cacti properly (at rubbish dump)**

**Watch the growth of cacti in pots to make sure they're not spreading**

**Report sightings to the Department of Agriculture and Food WA on (08) 9143 7000**

**Indian Fig**  
*Opuntia ficus-indica*



**Engelman Pear**  
*Opuntia engelmannii*



**Drooping Tree Pear**  
*Opuntia monacantha*



Three types of Opuntioid cacti are now considered Weeds of National Significance: *Austrocylindropuntia*, *Cylindropuntia* and *Opuntia*.