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#### What information do I need to make a nomination?

You need some data before your nomination can be assessed:

- · species identification, if possible
- tree height
- tree canopy spread
- tree trunk circumference
- tree age estimate
- photos: whole tree, bark, foliage, nuts/fruits/flowers if any
- location details
- historical information about the tree, if known

#### Where can I find a nomination form?

Our nomination form is now held online at:

#### www.trusttrees.org.au/nominate

Use the guidelines on the following pages to help you navigate the online form.

#### Need help with a nomination?

Contact the national coordinator at <a href="mailto:trust.trees@nattrust.com.au">trust.trees@nattrust.com.au</a>

# WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Your nomination will be assessed by an expert committee, and if considered significant at a regional or state level, will be added to the Register. National Trusts around Australia provide our data to local and state government to get trees on the Register protected under relevant legislation.

### WILL I BE NOTIFIED?

Yes, once your nomination has been reviewed by National Trust volunteers in your state or territory, you will be notified about the outcome. This can take some months, thank you for your patience.

The best way to get recognition for a significant tree in Australia is to nominate it to the National Trust's Register of Significant Trees

## National Trusts of Australia Significant Tree Register SAMPLE NOMINATION FORM

<b>Nominator Details</b>		
Name:	John Smith	
Street number & name:	1 Smith Street	
Suburb:	Smithville	
Postcode:	XXXX	
State:	Select your State	Drop down menu
Email address:	name@domain.com	
Daytime phone:	XX XXXX XXXX	
Mobile phone:	XX XXXX XXXX	

#### If the owner is the nominator, click same as nominator

Ownership Details			Same as nominator
Name:	Smithville Shire Council		If owner and nominator are the same, click on
Street number & name:	1 Main Street		the above box.
Suburb:	Smithville		
Postcode:	XXXX		
State:	Select State		Drop down menu
Email address:	name@domain.com		
Daytime phone:	xx xxxx xxxx		
Mobile phone:	xx xxxx xxxx		
Owner is:	Aware of this nomination	Yes	

Tree Details								
Is the tree publicly accessible?	Yes	Yes or No h	ere					
Located on private land?	No	Yes or No h	ere					
Common name:	Blue Gum							
Botanical name:	Eucalyptus tereticornis							
Enter any local name given to this specimen, plantation or arrangement (e.g. 'The Big tree')								
Local Name:	The old blue gum							
Describe what is being nominated. Please tick relevant box or add another category.								
Tree type:	Individual tree			Dr	op down menu			
Please tell us what method was us	sed to collect the	se measurement	s:					
Height method:	Folded paper			Dr	Drop down menu			
Circumference method:	Tono massure							
	Tape-measure			Dr	op down menu			
Show guidelines on taking tree measurements  Click on 'Show guidelines' for more information								
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information.

#### **Tree Location** Same as nominator Place Name: **Smith Street Park** Street number & name: 1 Smith Street Suburb: **Smithville** Postcode: XXXX State: Please select... Drop down menu Please select... LGA: Drop down menu GPS Co-ordinates - use the map below to find your latitude/longitude co-ordinates, or alternatively if you know your latitude/longitude co-ordinates type them in to check their map location. Typing in the address of the tree in the boxes above inserts the tree's location on the Google map at left. Use your mouse to pin point the exact location. The Latitude and Longitude will be amended accordingly. Latitude: Longitude: **Tree photos** Provide one or more high resolution (2MB to 4MB) digital images of the tree in its context. Provide any additional photographs including historical records with the source, where known. Please include photos of the trunk, fruits, flowers and leaves to assist in identification. Click on 'Show guidelines...' for more information Show guidelines on photographing trees Use 'Add photo' to browse your computer for the image + Add photo or drop the image in the white bar below. A thumbnail will appear on the screen and can be removed if need be. - alternatively you can drag and drop in a photo file. Enter notes about any materials you have attached in support of your nomination here:

Add supporting information here.

#### **Tree Significance**

Please select all categories that apply:

#### Scientific

Horticultural or genetic value

Important source of seed or propagating stock

Particularly resistant to disease or exposure

Species or variety that is rare or of a very localised

distribution

Remnant native vegetation

Outstanding for its size

An outstanding example of the species

#### Social

Unique location or context

Contribution to landscape

Associated with Aboriginal activities

Important landmark

Spiritual and religious associations

Contemporary association with the community

#### Historic

Forms part of an historic park, garden or town

Commemorative plantings

Associated with an important event

Associated with an important person, group or institution

#### Aesthetic

A really great looking tree

Exhibits curious growth form or unusual physical features

Is a better than average example of its species, or a tree in its

location

Please state your reasons why the tree is significant. Include a sentence that explains and supports each category you have selected above.

The Blue Gum (Eucalyptus tereticornis) in Smith Street is important because it was planted by Mayor John Brown in 1885 to commemorate Arbor Day. The local council had embarked upon a tree planting project to include more native trees in the streetscape. It is now an important town landmark tree.

example' to read another example.

Show example

Change the 'No' default keys to 'Yes' keys as required. In the process they will change from brown to green and from 'No' to 'Yes'.

Click on the 'i' circles for more information about some of the categories.

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes Yes

Yes

Click on 'Show

Please briefly summarise the tree(s) history. Include the history of the tree's location, and important dates and events that provide a context for the tree. You could include any data that substantiates its nomination.

The town of Smithville was first populated by gold miners in the 1850s following the discovery of gold there by John B Smith. Although the fortunes of the town declined, it has remained a service town for the farmers who followed the miners. Planted in 1885 on an Arbor Day attended by most of the residents of the town, this Blue Gum (Eucalyptus tereticornis) in Smith Street survived the fierce drought of the early 1890s which affected the other trees in the planting project. Its location adjacent to the primary school has meant it is an important shade tree for students during their breaks. Native fauna inhabit the tree and, when in flower, this gum attracts both birds and bees. The tallest tree in Smithville, this tree is a local landmark. Its use as the inspiration for a children's book by a local author has made it a landmark in the wider community and it is not uncommon to see groups photographing the tree.

Click on 'i' for information.

Describe where on the property the tree is located.

This Blue Gum is at the school corner of Smith Street, located on the road reserve. The tree has a small fence. At the base of the tree is a brass plaque.

Click on 'i' for information.

Give any other reasons for your tree's nomination that may place its significance beyond doubt.

The plaque at the base of this tree reads, 'Planted on Arbor Day 1885 by Mayor John Brown.'

Click on 'i' for information.

Show example

Click on 'Show example' to read another example.

#### Other

Name the person or organisation (if any), who would be willing to supply further information about this tree/s nomination:

XX XXXX XXXX

Drop down menu

If any matters concerning confidentiality associated with this nomination are known or suspected, please enter them here:

There are no matters concerning confidentiality.

Note:

Legal Status of Trees on a National Trust of Australia Register of Significant Trees.

Acceptance on a State/Territory or National Register does not place any restrictions on an owner in regard to future management of the tree.

Acceptance to any Trust register does carry with it an expectation of goodwill and stewardship towards a registered tree by its owner and the local authority.

The tree owner and the local authority where a nominated tree is growing will be advised of any final acceptance to the Trust Register.

To edit your saved forms, please click the link listed under 'Your Saved Forms' at the top of the page: back to top

#### **Hints:**

At the bottom of the webpage are three buttons

Save Clear Submit nomination

It is a good idea to Save the nomination a few times as you are working through it. You can save a nomination and close the program and it will remain as a Saved nomination. You can return to it at a later time or day.

If you do not wish to keep or submit any particular nomination, use the Clear button to remove the information you have entered.

When you are ready to submit the nomination, use the Submit Nomination button. If the submission is not accepted, it means that some mandatory fields are incomplete. These will be registering as pink. Enter the required information and submit the nomination again.

#### Where does your form go?

The administrator for each state will be notified of the submission of you nomination.