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The NSW Christmas Bush is known for its distinctive transformation around Christmas time - the small white flowers that bloom around October are followed by bright red leaf-like layers which wrap the budding flower bloom around December. This transformation brings colour and contrast to the domestic streetscapes. The white flowers attract bees and native butterflies. This tree type generally develops into a large shrub. It benefits from a light pruning after flowering to ensure the tree will be full and flower well in the next season.



You can see examples of NSW Christmas Bush plantings at 3 Eros Place, Winston Hills.



	<b>Botanic name</b>	Ceratopetalum gummiferum
	<b>Origin</b>	Coastal NSW
	<b>Typical height</b>	5-8m
	<b>Typical width</b>	3m
	<b>Leaf</b>	Leaf with many smaller parts joined to a central stem with serrated edges
	<b>Bark</b>	Light grey
	<b>Flowers</b>	Abundant white flowers housing seeds followed by red star shaped leaf-like layers which wrap the budding flower
	<b>Fruit Pod</b>	Brown nut

