Koala Tree Babies - First Site Complete! 100

What an exciting week! We've just planted our first 616 Koala food trees at Wamban. If you see the pictures, you'll spot lots of little white tree guards scattered across the site.

A huge thank you to the landowners for their enthusiasm and support in joining the Koala Recovery Strategy. Wamban once had a thriving Koala population, and creating a sustainable Koala corridor here was a strategic move. We're thrilled the landowners share our passion for helping these endangered marsupials.

We've planted a mix of Eucalyptus species, each carefully chosen for the site's unique landscape:

- TBosistoana (Coast Grey Box)
- Botryoides (Bangalay)
- Cypellocarpa (Monkey Gum)
- Globoidea (White Stringybark)
- TLongifolia (Woollybutt)
- Muelleriana (Yellow Stringybark)
- Tereticornis (Forest Red Gum)

A big thank you to the Bowantz Environmental crew for their incredible care of our young trees as our planting contractors and to the team at Eurobodalla Regional Botanic Garden for our Eucalyptus saplings.

Stay tuned for more updates as we expand to new planting sites!

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Koala Tree Babies – Mogendoura Farm (Property #2) 🍞 😈

A huge thank you to Emma Lipscombe and Rob from Mogendoura Farm Stay Moruya for hosting our Koala Tree team for two days of restoring koala-friendly corridors! This property marks our first use of @Ekidna Guards, specifically designed to protect trees on cattle farms. Check out the video to see one of the curious Belites (cattle) inspecting the guard—and realizing it's off-limits! 🐺 🐪

On Friday, we had the pleasure of being joined by Year 10 Geography students from St Peter's Anglican College Broulee, who helped expand on their studies of Environment Management and Change. Our Koala project is a perfect real-life example of this, as we work with dedicated property owners to balance sustainable cattle farming with the preservation of crucial wildlife corridors—not just for koalas, but for many other species.

It was an inspiring day sharing our mission and seeing the students get hands-on with tree planting and wire guard installations!

Over the two days, we successfully planted and installed 182 trees, with about 100 more to go! 7 Let's keep growing these habitats for a brighter future.

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We're thrilled to announce the completion of Property #3 at Bergalia! Huge thanks to Vanessa and Jamie for their dedication to regenerative agriculture and biodiversity. Since purchasing the property, they've done incredible revegetation work, transforming it into a thriving habitat for wildlife, while maintaining a productive cattle and sheep farm.

With over 800 koala-friendly trees planted, 130+ wire cattle guards, and 35 meters of solar electric fencing installed, this project is helping connect vital koala corridors between the state forest and valued food trees beyond the highway.

It's been a pleasure working with such motivated farmers, adding Koalas to their already amazing story. Another win for biodiversity!

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🍞 Koala Tree Babies - Eurobodalla Road (Properties 4, 5 & 6) 🍞

Yippee! 🏂 We've completed 3 more valuable corridor connections, thanks to 3 motivated cattle farmers stepping up for the Koalas!

This planting project is key to helping our local Bodalla Koala population bridge the fragmented gap between Dampier State Forest and Bodalla State Forest, where we spotted a Koala during our drone surveys in April. At this point, the Tuross River also serves as a safe, shallow crossing for Koalas, making it the perfect spot for planting!

We planted around 450 Koala-friendly food trees, carefully selecting species based on "Plant Community Types" to ensure we're creating the best possible habitat—not just planting for the sake of it. We used a combination of Ekidna Cattle Guards and paper guards to protect the new saplings.

Did you know that Koalas can start to forage on Eucalyptus trees within 3-5 years if the trees grow to around 4-5 metres high?

This effort doesn't just benefit Koalas—it will also help Gliders, Cockatoos, and many other local critters thrive! 🤌 🥬



Here are some quotes from our 3 amazing property owners:

Annette Collett said planting trees for koalas had not occurred to her, particularly after all the fires came through. "I think they need a helping hand with everything that is going on, and the bush being developed," Mrs Collett said.

Louise Marcinkowski got involved so that the lone koala can get across the river. "We have to get a healthy group of them going."

The planting is on parts of his cattle farm that aren't particularly productive. "To plant trees that may benefit wildlife is a better use of that land than grass," Mr. Murfin said.

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🍞 Koala Tree Babies – Walawaani Way Conservation Burial, Bodalla (Property No. 7) 🍞

A huge thank you to Fiona and Ben for their incredible enthusiasm and dedication to our Koala project! Your commitment to creating a safe haven for our local Koala population is truly inspiring.

We planted 120 beautiful eucalyptus trees, all carefully protected with Eknida Guards to keep those fresh tips safe from curious cattle and wallabies.

If I were a Koala, I wouldn't mind spending my days munching on those leaves, surrounded by the peaceful beauty of this natural conservation burial site. What a perfect spot for future generations of Koalas to call home! (I can already picture it, haha).

A special shoutout to Keith, a friend of Fiona McCuaig, who came to lend a hand, and to Fiona herself for jumping in to help out! 🔭 😈 🥬

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