

# Friends of Westgate Park



Friends of Westgate Park is made up of enthusiastic people, passionate about Westgate Park; the 40 hectare park under the Westgate Bridge in Port Melbourne.

Our vision is to transform the park into a bushland setting for locally indigenous plants and animals — a place where visitors can appreciate richly diverse, natural ecosystems in a beautiful landscape.

## SINCE 1999 OUR GROUP:

- Has planted over 280,000 plants in 9 distinct vegetation areas.
- Contributes around 1,500 hours per month of voluntary work.
- Engages with schools and teaches young people about biodiversity.
- Operates an indigenous plant nursery and provides skills in horticulture, and flora, fauna and fungi identification.
- Partners with Landcare Australia, business and employment agencies in organising and supervising work teams.
- Has provided planning and taken responsibility for all revegetation and maintenance work in the park.
  - Was instrumental in having over 8ha of land added to the park.
  - Raised funds for and managed several major projects in the park.
- Encourages volunteers and citizen scientists to be involved in water quality measurement and bird, fungi and pollination surveys.

