

AMAZING ADAPTATIONS

VEGETATIVE REPRODUCTION

Plants don't only spread via seed. Some Aussie plants reproduce vegetatively, which means they clone themselves via specialised roots or stems.

Purple-wood Wattle (*Acacia carneorum*) reproduces almost exclusively from **root suckers**: new shoots that sprout from the root system to form clonal colonies.

Native Violet (*Viola hederacea*) produces **stolons**: horizontal stems that run above ground, taking root when they contact the soil.

Native Ginger (*Alpinia caerulea*) produces **rhizomes**: horizontal underground stems that can sprout into new plants.

