



# 12 things that cheer me up on my daily walk in my neighbourhood.

Although walking on the roadside is not my first choice, there is still much to see. So many people keep their gardens looking beautiful, and the hedgerows provide many distractions. Listen for birds as you walk, now there is less traffic. Here are twelve plants to look out for:

1. Flopper or life plant (introduced)



4. Beggar's Tick (introduced)



2. Narturtiums (introduced)



5. Oleander (introduced)



3. Fennel. Smell it! (introduced)



6. Darrell's fleabane (endemic)



7. Berries on a female cedar tree (endemic)



8. Hibiscus (introduced)

How many different colour hibiscus can you find on your walk?



9. Matchstick weed or Cape weed (native)



This is the food plant of the buckeye caterpillar so I can't help but think of butterflies when I see it!

10. Freesia laxa (introduced)



11. Bermudiana – Bermuda's national flower is endemic



12. Japanese pittosporum (introduced)



You can still see a few freesias in gardens, and I love their smell. This is a fabulous second best. I can't walk past without stopping to enjoy its perfume.

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