

EUCALYPTUS CREBRA PLANTINGS ON DIE-BACK.  
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In the winter of 1955 some 40 *Eucalyptus crebra* (Narrow-leaved Red Ironbark) seedlings were pit planted on ploughed die-back sandy gravels near Gleneagle. Each seedling was given super.

Generally survival has been good and some plants have made growth, but not one plant has yet become dynamic and leaf growth is poor in quantity and leaf size. It seems that these plants are going through an advance growth stage of some duration despite cultivation and fertilisation. The site is extremely harsh in summer and the water relations in these soils must be limiting.

Spot sown *Eucalyptus calophylla* Marri on the same area seems to be better adapted to the conditions since whilst development is slow, the leaf condition is generally good.

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