

# 6 EASY STEPS TO GROW YOUR ESPLANADE



## 1 Let debris collect on the high tide line

Debris catches sand and provides nutrients for seeds to germinate. The plant growth will catch more sand and build a dune, stepping the Esplanade forward.

## 2 Install sand traps

Seek an assessment and permission from Townsville City Council to install sand traps, where appropriate, to catch windblown sand.

## 3 Plant coastal vegetation

Seek approval from Council to plant native grasses, vines, bushes and trees, which are available from Council, free of charge.

## 4 Don't mow coastal vegetation or plant landscape grasses

Mowing coastal vegetation leads to erosion and non-native grasses don't have horizontal stems that catch sand and build dunes.

## 5 Use public pedestrian paths

Pedestrian paths are provided for safe beach access and minimise vegetation damage caused by the use of unapproved access paths.

## 6 Take your green waste to the tip

Disposing of garden waste in the Esplanade or on the beach promotes the growth of weeds which out compete coastal plants and these plants don't help grow your Esplanade.

## BEACH RECOVERY PROCESS

