# Biological inventory of Koolan Island, Western Australia 1. Flora and vegetation

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**Abstract** - A total of 282 plant taxa have been recorded from five major vegetation units on Koolan Island at the head of the Yampi Peninsula. This represents over a quarter of the flora recorded for the Fitzgerald Botanical District. A total of 12 new naturalised weeds were recorded from the island. The closure of the iron ore mine on Koolan Island and the removal of the town will provide opportunities to study both weed invasion and persistence and the establishment of a large permanent wetland in a sub-humid tropical environment.

#### INTRODUCTION

A biological survey of Koolan Island was undertaken over a week during the wet season of February 1993. This survey was supplemented by herbarium records and previous collections by KFK and AAM. This paper describes the flora and vegetation of the island, while a subsequent paper will describe the island's fauna. This work will provide a benchmark against which to measure the rehabilitation of the island following closure of the major iron ore mine in October 1993 after 29 years of operation. Despite a long history of exploration and mining on the island its flora and vegetation have been little studied, with the earliest collections in the Western Australian Herbarium (PERTH) dating from the mid 1960s (also see Beard 1979).

# STUDY AREA

Koolan Island is located 130 km north of Derby at the northern end of the Yampi Peninsula. It is separated from the mainland by a channel 1 km wide. The island is 13 km long and 5.5 km wide at its widest point, with the long axis of the island orientated NW – SE (Figure 1). Koolan is one of the many islands of the Buccaneer Archipelago. This area experiences a monsoonal climate with an annual rainfall of about 960 mm with most falling between December and March. Mean summer temperatures for Derby (some 130 km to the south) range from 35 to 37 degrees with high relative humidities (Bureau of Meteorology 1975).

The island is essentially a series of parallel flat-

topped ridges formed from steeply dipping beds of the resistant Warton and Pentecost Sandstones and a series of deeply incised creeks through softer Elgee Siltstone (Tyler and Griffin 1993). The adjacent mainland has essentially similar geology and geomorphology. The basal part of the Pentecost Sandstone on Koolan Island is composed of high grade haematite (iron ore) and was mined from 1965 until 1993.

This ore proved to be of very high grade (average 65% iron) with over 50 million tonnes having been extracted. A smaller mine operated on nearby Cockatoo Island between 1957 and 1986. The main pit on Koolan Island is 1.5 km long, 45 m wide and was mined at the eastern end to a depth of 80 m below sea level. This pit will fill with fresh water from a natural aquifer once mining operations cease.

The town associated with this mine was located at the eastern end of the island and had a population of 850 people. Most of the towns people left in October 1992 with complete closure planned by October 1993. It is planned that all buildings will be removed and all road surfaces removed and ripped. Only the airstrip will be left intact.

#### **METHODS**

During the wet season survey most of the field work was concentrated on the eastern two thirds of the island along roads and down creek lines. The area of Warton Sandstone along the southern edge of the island, supporting very open eucalypt woodland (Figure 1), was not visited due to time

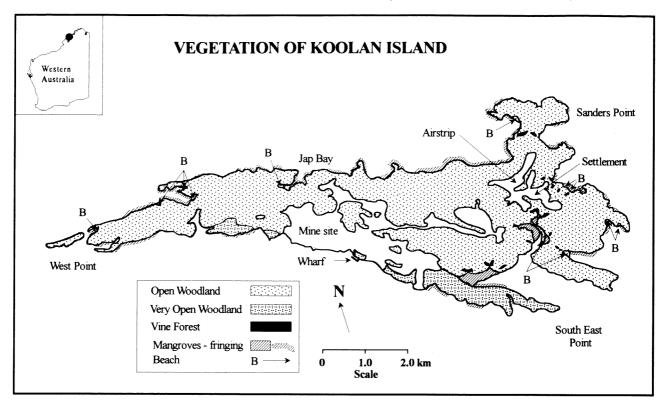


Figure 1 Map of Koolan Island, showing major vegetation types and location of town, airstrip and mine.

and access limitations. Voucher collections were made of all fertile plants found and notes made on their distribution and abundance. While detailed searches were undertaken for naturalised weed taxa, due to time limitations no attempt was made to record all exotic taxa found in the townsite. Vouchers were lodged in PERTH. Nomenclature largely follows Wheeler *et al.* (1992). Additional records were available from previous visits by KFK and AAM as well as other collections lodged in PERTH.

A structural vegetation map was compiled from field notes and a 1: 30 000 colour mosaic based on August 1992 photography (Figure 1).

# **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

#### Flora

Two hundred and eighty-two taxa (species, subspecies and varieties) were recorded from 79 families. Forty-three of these were exotic taxa from 19 different families; three of these families (Moringaceae, Solanaceae and Turneraceae) were only represented by introduced taxa. The most well represented families were the Poaceae (22 native, 11 naturalised taxa), Papilionaceae (15 native, 5 naturalised taxa), Euphorbiaceae (15 native, 3 naturalised taxa), and Myrtaceae (11 native taxa) (Appendix 1). Species composition clearly shows the tropical nature of the flora with high proportions of grasses and Euphorbiaceae. It

is, however, a sub-humid tropical flora sharing only 12% of the evergreen tropical flora of Christmas Island (Gentilli 1972, Du Puy 1993). Approximately half of the species co-occurring between the two islands are pan-tropical weeds.

Koolan Island falls on the western margin of the Fitzgerald Botanical District which covers some 83,330 km² (Beard 1979). The flora of this area is still poorly known. Hnatiuk (1990) recorded 842 taxa from this region while the recently completed Kimberley Flora (Wheeler *et al.* 1992) record 1030 taxa. The present survey has added a further 24 taxa. Thus, 27 % of the flora of the entire Fitzgerald Botanical District has been recorded on Koolan Island although the island represents less than 0.1% of the land area of this District.

# Weeds

Several weed taxa were largely restricted to the six steep gullies north and south of the townsite down which the treated sewage was discharged (Figure 2). In particular *Euphorbia cyathophora* and *Clitoria ternatea* were common and locally dominant in the bottoms of these gullies. In Creeks 1 and 2 on the north side of the settlement *Senna alata*, a garden escape, has become wide spread, reaching heights of 4 m. This is the first record of this species naturalised in Western Australia. It is also naturalised in the Darwin area. Another garden escape which has become widespread along the road verges and in the creeks is *Turnera* 

*ulmifolia*, a small yellow flowering herb. This taxa has also not previously been recorded elsewhere in Western Australia.

In a vegetated valley near the southern boundary of the town site, a small but vigorous population of rubber vine (*Cryptostegia madagascariensis*) was found. The creek line running south from this valley (Creek 4) was dominated by *Leucaena leucocephala*. The Poinciana (*Delonix regia*) was also found in this area and is the first time this taxon has been recorded as naturalised in Western Australia. The *Leucaena leucocephala* and *Delonix regia* were also found in the two smaller creek lines (Creeks 5 and 6) at the south west end of town.

Eleven species of grass have become naturalised including buffel grass (*Cenchrus ciliaris*). This species has become a very serious weed at Cape Range (near Exmouth) where it was planted along the coastal flats as improved pasture and has subsequently spread through most of the plant communities of the area (Keighery and Gibson 1993).

Currently all the weeds are restricted to the settlement area (including creek lines and sewerage outfalls) and road verges. With closure of the town supplementary irrigation and sewerage output will cease. This is likely to lead to long term loss of weed taxa given the extended dry season in this area. Weedy tree species may persist but success of

further recruitment is uncertain. Experience in areas such as Cape Range suggests some of the exotic grasses will persist. The current distribution of *Cryptostegia madagascariensis* elsewhere in Australia suggests that this species will also persist and spread unless efforts are made to eradicate it. It should be noted that of the several hundred taxa present in the town gardens, only 44 have become naturalised (Appendix 1).

## Vegetation

Five major vegetation units were found on the island. There were also several minor units but these occupied areas too small to map (Figure 1).

The most widespread community was the Eucalyptus miniata - Eucalyptus confertiflora open woodlands generally over Triodia hummock grassland. The understorey was composed of a diverse herb layer with species such as Tacca leontopetaloides and T. maculata being common. The density of shrubs in this community is variable but several species of Terminalia and Acacia are common (Appendix 1). This vegetation type covers about 80% of the non-disturbed area of the island and is the common vegetation type on the adjacent mainland (Beard 1979). The floristics of this community are fairly consistent, however there is considerable local change in dominance across the island. This floristic variation did not appear to be

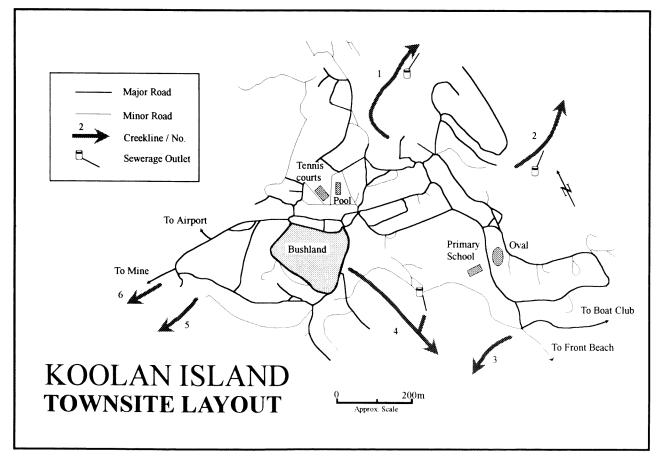


Figure 2 Map of the townsite showing location of creek lines and sewerage outfalls.

correlated to slope or aspect and occurred on both the Pentecost Sandstone and the Elgee Siltstone. In places it gave way to small groves of *Callitris intratropica* with understoreys dominated by *Calytrix exstipulata*. This community type has previously been recorded on the nearby Cockatoo, Irvine, Bathurst and Kingfisher Islands (previously known as the Wood Islands) some 30 km to the east on the same lithologies (Burbidge *et al.* 1978; K.F. Kenneally, unpub).

Aerial photographs show a very open eucalypt woodland along the southern edge of the island coincident with the Warton Sandstone (Tyler and Griffin 1993). This area was not surveyed due to both time and access limitations. Woodlands on this substrate type have been described for Augustus, Heywood, Champagny, Unwins and Saint Andrew Islands of the Bonaparte Archipelago lying some 130 km to the north east (Burbidge et al. 1978) and for an area in the proposed Prince Regent National Park (Miles et al. 1975). The composition of the woodlands on the Warton Sandstone is similar to the Eucalyptus miniata -Eucalyptus confertiflora open woodlands described above, but commonly also including Eucalyptus perfoliata, Plectrachne pungens, and less commonly Eucalyptus ferruginea and Acacia stipulosa.

Large mangrove communities occur in two sheltered bays south of the settlement. In addition, much of the coastline of the island supports a narrow mangrove fringe (Figure 1). Four species of mangrove were recorded from the large stand immediately south of the settlement: Avicennia marina, Camptostemon schultzii, Excoecaria agallocha and Rhizophora stylosa. The mangrove communities are small and species poor compared to the much more extensive mangrove stands on the nearby mainland (Kenneally 1982).

Small patches of vine forest dominated by Canarium australianum were found in the steep creek lines on the eastern end of the island (Figure 1). Patch size ranges from just a few trees to several hectares in extent. The patches shown in Figure 1 are those that were visited on the ground and / or were discernible on the photo-mosaic. There are undoubtedly more smaller patches than could be mapped at this scale. Koolan Island is at the south western edge of the main area of occurrence of rainforest in the Kimberley. The only patches further to the south west are those on the northern shore of King Sound and the coastal areas of the Dampier Peninsula (McKenzie 1991).

More than 1500 patches of rainforest are scattered across the Kimberley. These range in size from a few tree crowns to more than 100 ha (McKenzie 1991). Kenneally *et al.* (1991) in a study of 99 Kimberley rainforests (largely vine forest) recorded 575 species. Only one of these species was endemic to the rainforest, with most species

occurring widely in a number of habitats across northern Australia. The reason for the widespread nature of most of these species appears to be both their ability to cope with nutrient-poor substrates and propagule dispersal by birds and bats (McKenzie 1991). Our data are consistent with this hypothesis. One hundred and one of the 575 species recorded from Kimberley rainforest patches are found on Koolan Island.

Koolan Island shares 45.5 and 52.1% of the taxa recorded from the two closest rainforest patches studied by Kenneally *et al.* (1991) (02/3 and 25/3 on Yampi Peninsula, some 50 km to the east south east, with 33 and 46 species respectively). These data further indicate the widespread nature of the Kimberley rainforest flora.

Twelve small beaches occurred in protected bays around Koolan Island. Most of the beaches are adjacent to mangrove community but, in addition, a distinct community develops on the mobile sands. Common components of these beach communities include Spinifex longifolius, Commelina ensifolia, Ipomoea pes-caprae and Abrus precatorius. Two beaches to the south east of the settlement and another north of the airfield were frequently used by the residents for recreation and were serviced by gravel roads.

Minor vegetation units include the narrow fringing vegetation of *Melaleuca viridiflora* along some of the larger creek lines, and the *Callitris intratropica* stands. Species-poor haematite scree communities, seen at several locations. These were dominated by combinations of trees and / or shrubs. Common species included *Callitris intratropica*, *Canarium australianum*, *Pouteria sericea*, *Vitex acuminata* and *Pavetta kimberleyana*. All of these units are restricted to a few hectares in extent.

## **DISCUSSION**

The flora and vegetation of Koolan Island is very similar to both the adjacent mainland and nearby Cockatoo Island. It is a sub-humid tropical sandstone flora which is widespread across northern Australia. Twelve new naturalised weeds for Western Australia were recorded from the island (Allamanda cathartica, Antigon leptopus, Cascabela thevetia, Cassia fistula, Delonix regia, Gliricidia sepium, Moringa oleifera, Peltophorum pterocarpa, Ruellia tuberosa, Senna alata, Tecoma stans, Turnera ulmifolia). Antigon leptopus, Delonix regia, Tecoma stans, and Turnera ulmifolia are also common weeds on Christmas Island.

One native species was found to be restricted to Koolan Island. This was an apparently undescribed species of smooth, white barked eucalypt (*E. aff. cadophora* Keighery and Gibson 15 and 95). This taxon was found occasionally across the island.

None of the native taxa reached their range ends on Koolan Island.

Koolan Island presents a excellent opportunity for long term monitoring of weed invasion and persistence following major disturbance in an isolated sub-humid tropical environment. The townsite will also allow an opportunity to study the fate of the introduced garden species following the removal of town infrastructure and supplementary watering.

One major new habitat created by the mine will be an extensive, deep permanent freshwater wetland in the bottom of the major pit (next to the loading jetty, Figure 1) which has intersected a shallow aquifer. We are unaware of any similar habitat on the sandstone areas of the adjacent mainland. The colonisation of this wetland will add significant numbers of new taxa to the flora of the island. At the date of the present survey the pit was bare of all vegetation and water levels were being kept artificially low by continuous pumping.

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#### APPENDIX 1

Flora list of 282 taxa recorded from Koolan Island, Western Australia. Collection numbers refer to specimens lodged in PERTH. \* indicates a naturalised weed and "sr" indicates a sight record.

Family Acanthaceae

Dicliptera armata F.Muell.

Hypoestes sp.

\* Ruellia tuberosa

Vernon 40 Vernon 51 L. Mitchell 3118 Family Adiantaceae

Cheilanthes brownii (Kuhn)Domin Keighery/Gibson 249 Keighery/Gibson 250 Cheilanthes caudata R.Br.

Cheilanthes sieberi Kunze Keighery sr Cheilanthes tenuifolia (Burm.f.)Sw. Keighery sr

Family Aizoaceae

Sesuvium portulacastrum (L.)L. Keighery sr Zaleya galericulata (Melville)H.Eichler Keighery sr

Family Amaranthaceae

Achyranthes aspera L. Keighery sr Amaranthus pallidiflorus F.Muell. Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 131 \* Amaranthus viridis L. Gomphrena sp. Keighery/Gibson 128 Ptilotus exaltatus Nees in Lehm. Keighery/Gibson 210 Ptilotus fusiformis (R.Br.)

Steud. var. gracilis (R.Br.) Benl Vernon 43

Family Anacardiaceae

Buchanania obovata Engl. Kenneally sr

Family Apiaceae

Trachymene didiscoides (F.Muell.)B.L.Burtt Fryxell 3915, Vernon 06

Family Apocynaceae

\* Allamanda cathartica L. Keighery/Gibson 91

\* Cascabela thevetia L. Mitchell 3116, Keighery/Gibson 28

\* Catharanthus roseus (L.)G.Don Keighery/Gibson 30 Keighery/Gibson 47 Tabernaemontana pandacaqui Lam.

Wrightia saligna (R.Br.)Benth. Vernon 23, Keighery/Gibson 02, 211

Family Asclepiadaceae

Cynanchum carnosum (R.Br.)Schltr. Keighery/Gibson 46 Cynanchum puberulum F.Muell.ex Benth. Vernon 62 Gymnema stenophyllum A.Gray Keighery/Gibson 134 Marsdenia viridiflora R.Br.

Keighery/Gibson 62 Sarcostemma viminale subsp. australe

(R.Br.) P.I. Forst. Vernon sn Secamone timoriense Decne. Keighery/Gibson 40 Tylophora flexuosa R.Br. Keighery/Gibson 88

\* Cryptostegia madagascariensis Bojer ex Decne. Mitchell 2276, 3117, Keighery/Gibson 26

Family Asparagaceae

Protasparagus racemosus (Willd.)Oberm. Keighery sr

Family Asteraceae

\* Bidens bipinnata L. Kenneally sr, Keighery sr

Chrysogonum ecliptoides (F.Muell.)F.Muell. Kenneally sr Pterocaulon sphacelatum (Labill.)F.Muell. Vernon 72

\* Tridax procumbens L. Marchant 72/1, Keighery/Gibson 129 Vernonia cinerea (L.)Less. Vernon 20, k127

Family Avicenniaceae

Avicennia marina (Forssk.) Vierh. Keighery/Gibson 212

Family Bignoniaceae

Dolichandrone heterophylla (R.Br.)F.Muell. Keighery/Gibson 105 \* Tecoma stans (L.) Juss. ex Kunth Keighery/Gibson 32

Family Bombacaceae

Camptostemon schultzii Mast. Keighery sr

Family Boraginaceae

Heliotropium glabellum "yellow variant" Keighery sr

Heliotropium glabellum R.Br. Sands 4984, 4976, Keighery/Gibson 145 Trichodesma zeylanicum (Burm.f.)R.Br.

Keighery sr

Family Burseraceae

Canarium australianum F.Muell.

Keighery/Gibson 48, 68, 136

Family Byblidaceae

Byblis liniflora Salisb.

Vernon 31

Family Caesalpiniaceae

\* Cassia fistula L. Chamaecrista mimosoides (L.)Greene

\* Delonix regia (Bojer ex Hook.) Rafin. Erythrophleum chlorostachys (F.Muell.)Baill. Lysiphyllum cunninghamii (Benth.)de Wit

\* Peltophorum pterocarpa (DC)Backer ex K. Heyner

\* Senna alata (L.)Roxb.

Senna goniodes (A.Cunn.ex Benth.)Randell

Mitchell sr

Keighery/Gibson 213 Keighery/Gibson 59

Vernon 12 Vernon 04 Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 77, Mitchell 3111 Vernon 42, Keighery/Gibson 109

Family Capparaceae

Capparis lasiantha R.Br.ex DC.

Capparis sepiaria L.

Capparis spinosa L. var. nummularia (DC.)Bailey

Cleome viscosa L.

Keighery/Gibson 214, 248

Keighery sr Vernon 64 Keighery sr

Family Caryophyllaceae

Polycarpaea spirostylis F.Muell.

Keighery sr

Family Celastraceae

Denhamia obscura (A.Rich.)Meisn.

Keighery/Gibson 215A, 215B

Family Chenopodiaceae

Salsola kali L.

Suaeda arbusculoides L.S.Sm.

Kenneally sr Keighery sr

Family Combretaceae

Terminalia canescens (DC.)Radlk.

Terminalia latipes Benth. subsp. psilocarpa Pedley

Terminalia platyphylla F.Muell.

Vernon 27, Keighery/Gibson 41 Vernon 10, Keighery/Gibson 87

Keighery sr

Family Commelinaceae

Cartonema spicatum R.Br. Commelina ensifolia R.Br.

Murdannia graminea (R.Br.)G.Brueckn.

Vernon 30, Keighery/Gibson 247 Vernon 29, Keighery/Gibson 37

Vernon 38

Family Convolvulaceae

Evolvulus alsinoides (L.)L.

Ipomoea sp.

Ipomoea pes-caprae (L.)R.Br.

\* Merremia dissecta (Jacq.)Hallier

Operculina brownii Ooststr.

Polymeria ambigua R.Br.

\* Ipomoea quamoclit L.

Jacquemontia paniculata (Burm.f.)Hallier

Vernon 33 Vernon 48

Keighery sr

Mitchell 2272, Keighery/Gibson 05,

Vernon 47, Fryxell 4598, Keighery/Gibson 119 Keighery/Gibson 50

Fryxell 4607

Keighery/Gibson 113

Keighery/Gibson 216

Family Cucurbitaceae

\* Cucumis melo L. subsp. agrestis (Naudin)Grebensc.

Mukia maderaspatana (L.)M.Roem.

Trichosanthes cucumerina L. var. cucumerina

Xenostegia tridentata (L.) D.Austin et Staples subsp. hastata (Desr.) Ooststr.

Keighery/Gibson 57

Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 135

Family Cupressaceae

Callitris intratropica (F.Muell.)R.T.Baker and H.G.Sm.

Keighery/Gibson 67

Family Cyperaceae

Cyperus bulbosus M.Vahl Fimbristylis cymosa R.Br.

Keighery/Gibson 217 Keighery/Gibson 94, 150 Family Dilleniaceae

Vernon 57, Fryxell 4592, Hibbertia oblongata R.Br.ex DC.

Keighery/Gibson 112

Family Dioscoreaceae

Dioscorea bulbifera L. Keighery/Gibson 17

Family Droseraceae

Drosera lanata Kondo Keighery sr Drosera petiolaris R.Br.ex DC. Vernon "a"

Family Ebenaceae

Diospyros maritima Blume Keighery/Gibson 31, 152

Family Elatinaceae

Bergia pusilla Benth. Keighery/Gibson 289

Family Euphorbiaceae

Croton sp. Keighery sr

Breynia cernua (Poir.) Muell. Arg. Keighery/Gibson 110 Bridelia tomentosa Blume Vernon 02

Euphorbia australis Boiss. Keighery sr Euphorbia coghlanii Bailey Keighery sr Euphorbia cyathophora Murray Keighery/Gibson 04, Handasyde 01

Euphorbia drummondii Boiss. Keighery sr

Euphorbia hirta L.

Keighery/Gibson 06 Euphorbia kimberleyensis B.G.Thomson Fryxell 4582

Keighery/Gibson 55 Excoecaria agallocha L. Flueggea virosa (Willd.)F.Voigt subsp. melanthesoides Keighery/Gibson 156

(F.Muell.)G.L.Webster \* Jatropha gossypifolia L. Keighery/Gibson 100

Petalostigma pubescens Domin Vernon 22, Keighery/Gibson 66, 218

Mitchell 2280, 3114 Petalostigma quadriloculare F.Muell. Phyllanthus amarus Schumach. Keighery/Gibson 44 Phyllanthus maderaspatensis L. Keighery/Gibson 19 Phyllanthus virgatus G.Forst. Keighery/Gibson 54

Sebastiania chamelaea (L.)Muell.Arg. Vernon 21, Keighery/Gibson 121

Family Goodeniaceae

Goodenia sepalosa F.Muell.ex Benth. Vernon 19, Fryxell 4599,

Mitchell 2265, Keighery/Gibson 20 Scaevola macrostachya (de Vriese)Benth. Vernon 07, Keighery/Gibson 157

Family Gyrocarpaceae

Gyrocarpus americanus Jacq. Keighery sr

Family Haloragaceae

Gonocarpus leptothecus (F.Muell.)Orchard Keighery/Gibson 219A

Family Lamiaceae

Anisomeles malabaricum (L.)R.Br.ex Sims Mitchell 3112 \* Hyptis suaveolens (L.)Poit. Keighery sr

Family Lauraceae

Cassytha aurea J.Z.Weber Keighery/Gibson 153 Cassytha capillaris Meisn. Keighery/Gibson 149

Cassytha filiformis L. Keighery sr

Family Loganiaceae

Mitrasacme connata R.Br. Vernon 36 Strychnos lucida R.Br. Keighery sr

Family Loranthaceae

Amyema bifurcata (Benth.) Tiegh. Keighery/Gibson 291 Amyema miquelii (Lehm.ex Miq.)Tiegh. Keighery sr

Amyema thalassium Barlow Keighery/Gibson 147

Decaisnina sp. Keighery sr Dendrophthoe acacioides (Benth.) Tiegh. Diplatia grandibractea (F.Muell.) Tiegh.

Lysiana spathulata (Blakely)Barlow subsp. spathulata

Family Lythraceae

Lagerstroemia archeriana Bailey

Family Malvaceae

Abutilon aff. oxycarpum (F. Muell) F. Muell. ex Benth. Abutilon andrewsianum W.Fitzg Abutilon indicum (L.)Sweet Gossypium costulatum Tod.

Gossypium hirsutum L. Hibiscus aff. fryxellii Mabb. Hibiscus leptocladus Benth. Thespesia thespesioides (Benth.)Fryxell

Family Meliaceae

Owenia vernicosa F.Muell.

Family Menispermaceae

Tinospora smilacina Benth.

Family Mimosaceae

Acacia ampliceps Maslin Acacia hippuroides Heward ex Benth. Acacia holosericea A.Cunn.ex G.Don Acacia multisiliqua (Benth.) Maconochie

Acacia sp. (sec. juliflorae) Acacia stigmatophylla A.Cunn.ex Benth.

Acacia tumida F.Muell.ex Benth. \* Leucaena leucocephala (Lam.)de Wit Neptunia gracilis Benth.

Family Moraceae

Ficus opposita Miq. Ficus virens Aiton

Family Moringaceae

\* Moringa oleifera Lam.

Family Myrtaceae

Calytrix brownii (Schauer)Craven Calytrix exstipulata DC. Eucalyptus aff. cadophora Eucalyptus confertiflora F.Muell. Eucalyptus dampieri D.J.Carr and S.G.M.Carr Eucalyptus miniata A.Cunn.ex Schauer Eucalyptus perfoliata R. Br ex Benth. Eucalyptus rupestris Brooker and Done Eucalyptus sp. B (Kimb flora)

Eucalyptus tectifica F.Muell. Melaleuca viridiflora Sol.ex Gaertn.

Family Nyctaginaceae

Boerhavia sp. Boerhavia dominii Meikle and Hewson

Family Oleaceae

Jasminum didymum G.Forst.

Family Papilionaceae

Abrus precatorius L. Alysicarpus vaginalis(l.) DC. Keighery/Gibson 65, 106A Keighery/Gibson 25 Keighery/Gibson 155

Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 158

Vernon 54

Keighery/Gibson 33

Vernon 28, Fryxell 3861, 4619, Mitchell 2278, Lullfitz sn

Mitchell sr Mitchell 3115

Vernon 55, Keighery/Gibson 53, 159

Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 111

Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 108

Vernon 04, Vernon 55, Sands 4973

Kenneally sr

Vernon 01, Fryxell 4605, Sands 4975, Lakeman 2, Keighery/Gibson 45 Done 730, Keighery/Gibson 106, 219 Vernon 09, White 09, Keighery/Gibson

142, Sands 4946

Vernon 70, Kenneally 8531, Sands 4950

Keighery/Gibson 18 Keighery/Gibson 12

Keighery/Gibson 49 Kenneally sr

Keighery/Gibson 230

Vernon 69, Fryxell 4601 Keighery/Gibson 09 Keighery/Gibson 15, 95

Vernon 14, Keighery/Gibson 148

White 11 Kenneally sr Kenneally sr **Done 737** 

Keighery/Gibson 10

Vernon 18

Keighery/Gibson 11

Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 83, 146

Fryxell 4585

Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 52

Cajanus viscidus Maesen Canavalia rosea (Sw.)DC. Christia australasica (Schindler) Bakh. f. et van Meeuwen

\* Clitoria ternatea L.

Crotalaria montana Roth

Desmodium filiforme Zoll.and Moritzi

\* Desmodium tortuosum (Sw.)DC.

Galactia tenuiflora (Klein ex Willd.)Wight and Arn.

\* Gliricidia sepium (Jacq.)Kunth ex Walp. Gompholobium subulatum Benth. Indigofera ? polygaloides M.Scott Indigofera sp. A (Kimb Flora)

\* Macroptilium lathyroides (L.) Urb.

\* Stylosanthes guianensis (Aubl.)Sw. Templetonia hookeri (F.Muell.)Benth.

Tephrosia leptoclada Benth.

Tephrosia sp.

Vigna lanceolata Benth.

Family Passifloraceae

Adenia heterophylla (Blume)Koord.

\* Passiflora foetida (L.)

var. hispida (DC. ex Triana and Planchon) Killip

Family Philydraceae

Philydrum lanuginosum Gaertn.

Family Poaceae

Alloteropsis semialata (R.Br.)Hitchc. Bothriochloa pertusa (L.)A.Camus

\* Cenchrus ciliaris L.

\* Cenchrus echinatus L. Cenchrus elymoides F.Muell.

\* Cenchrus setiger

\* Chloris barbata (L.)Sw.

\* Chloris gayana Kunth

Chloris sp.

Chrysopogon latifolius S.T.Blake

Chrysopogon sp.

Cynodon dactylon (L.)Pers.

\* Dactyloctenium aegyptium (L.)Willd.
Digitaria bicornis (Lam.)Roem.and Schult.

\* Echinochloa colona (L.)Link

\* Eleusine indica (L.)Gaertn.

Eragrostis tenella (L.)Roem.and Schult.

Eriachne avenacea R.Br. Eriachne sulcata Hartley

Heteropogon contortus (L.)P.Beauv.ex

Roem.and Schult.
Panicum decompositum R.Br.
Paspalum scrobiculatum L.
Plectrachne bynoei C.E.Hubb.

\* Rhynchelytrum repens (Willd.)C.E.Hubb.

\* Setaria pumila (Poir.)Roem. and Schult. Sorghum ecarinatum Lazarides Sorghum plumosum (R.Br.)P.Beauv. Spinifex longifolius R.Br.

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Sporobolus virginicus (L.)Kunth

Triodia sp.

\* Urochloa mosambicensis (Hack.)Dandy Urochloa subquadripara (Trin.)R.D.Webster Whiteochloa cymbiformis (Hughes)B.K.Simon

Family Polygalaceae

Comesperma secundum Banks ex DC.

Fryxell 4586, Vernon 56, Mitchell 3109 Fryxell 4587, Keighery/Gibson 84, 122

Keighery/Gibson 220 Keighery/Gibson 130

Vernon 50, Keighery/Gibson 120

Fryxell 4596

Keighery/Gibson 114, Mitchell 2267, 2275

Frvxell 4614

Mitchell 2277, Handysyde 02 Vernon 58, Keighery/Gibson 24A

Keighery/Gibson 229 Keighery/Gibson 70 Mitchell 2271

Keighery/Gibson 27

Vernon 05, Keighery/Gibson 123

Vernon 15

Vernon 49, Vernon 52

Vernon 61

Keighery/Gibson 137

Keighery sr

Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 290

Mitchell 2269 Keighery sr

Grey sn, Keighery/Gibson 133

Keighery/Gibson 107 Keighery/Gibson 132 Keighery/Gibson 116

Mitchell 2266 Keighery/Gibson 51 Keighery/Gibson 102 Keighery/Gibson 228

Keighery sr Keighery sr Keighery sr Mitchell sr

Keighery/Gibson 56, 58 Keighery/Gibson 126 Vernon 35, Fryxell 3918

Vernon 71

Vernon 73

Keighery/Gibson 35, 154 Keighery/Gibson 34

Vernon 66

Vernon 65, Keighery/Gibson 115

Mitchell 2268 Fryxell 3913

Keighery/Gibson 151

Keighery sr Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 141, 144 Keighery/Gibson 74 Keighery/Gibson 138

Mitchell 2273

Vernon 60, Fryxell 4609

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Family Polygonaceae

\* Antigon leptopus Hook. and Arnd.

Mitchell 3113

Family Portulacaceae

Calandrinia uniflora F.Muell.

Portulaca oleracea L.

Portulaca pilosa L.

Keighery sr Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 39

Family Proteaceae

Grevillea agrifolia Cunn. ex R. Br.

Grevillea cunninghamii R.Br.

Vernon 01, Keighery/Gibson 143 Vernon 02, Marchant 72/12, White 08, Fryxell 4590

Vernon 03A

Vernon 03B

Keighery/Gibson 14

Keighery/Gibson 221

Grevillea pyramidalis A.Cunn.ex R.Br.

Grevillea refracta R.Br. Persoonia falcata R.Br.

Stenocarpus sp. A (Kimb Flora)

Keighery/Gibson 223

Family Rhizophoraceae

Ceriops tagal (Perr.)C.B.Rob.

Rhizophora stylosa Griff.

Keighery/Gibson 222

Family Rubiaceae

Aidia racemosa (Cav.)D.D.Tirveng. Canthium sp. A (Kimb Flora)

Oldenlandia corymbosa L. var. corymbosa Pavetta kimberleyana ST Reynolds

Spermacoce leptoloba Benth.

Keighery/Gibson 101 Keighery/Gibson 16 Keighery/Gibson 125A Keighery/Gibson 92

Vernon 41

Family Rutaceae

Boronia lanuginosa Endl.

Fryxell 4600

Family Santalaceae

Exocarpos latifolius R.Br. Santalum lanceolatum R.Br. Fryxell 4608 Keighery sr

Family Sapindaceae

Atalaya hemiglauca (F.Muell.)F.Muell.ex Benth. Distichostemon hispidulus (Endl.)S.T.Reynolds var. phyllopterus (F.Muell.)S.T.Reynolds

Dodonaea lanceolata F.Muell. var. lanceolata

Keighery sr

Vernon 25, White 10

Vernon 67

Family Sapotaceae

Mimusops elengi L.

Pouteria sericea (Aiton)Baehni

Keighery/Gibson 104 Keighery/Gibson 23a

Family Scrophulariaceae

Lindernia aff. clausa (F. Muell.)F. Muell. Stemodia lythrifolia F.Muell.ex Benth. Striga curviflora (R.Br.)Benth.

Vernon 34 Marchant 72/6 Vernon 37

Family Solanaceae

\* Physalis minima L.

Fryxell 3920, Keighery/Gibson 103

Family Sonneratiaceae

Sonneratia alba Sm.

Keighery sr

Family Stackhousiaceae

Stackhousia intermedia Bailey

Vernon 44

Family Sterculiaceae

Brachychiton diversifolius R.Br.

Brachychiton viridiflorus (W.Fitzg.)Guymer Brachychiton viscidulus (W.Fitzg.)Guymer

Melhania oblongifolia F.Muell.

Melochia umbellata (Houtt.)Stapf

Waltheria indica L.

Keighery/Gibson 07 Keighery/Gibson 08

Fryxell 4591, Keighery/Gibson 63

Vernon 53

Fryxell 3922, Keighery/Gibson 140

Vernon 17

Family Stylidiaceae

Stylidium aff. leptorrhizum F. Muell.

Fryxell 4583, Vernon 59, Vernon sn

Family Taccaceae

Tacca leontopetaloides (L.)Kuntze

Tacca maculata Seem.

Keighery/Gibson 117

Vernon 26

Family Tiliaceae

Corchorus leptocarpus (A.Cunn.)Benth.

Grewia breviflora Benth. Grewia retusifolia Kurz Triumfetta plumigera F.Muell.

Triumfetta sp. Triumfetta sp.

Triumfetta sp. O (Kimb Flora) Triumfetta sp. S (Kimb Flora) Fryxell 4595, Keighery/Gibson 22

Keighery/Gibson 139, 224

Vernon 11, 25a, Keighery/Gibson 43

Vernon 39, Fryxell 3919, 4616

Keighery/Gibson 21 Keighery/Gibson 86

Fryxell 3921

Vernon 63, Fryxell 4581

Family Turneraceae

\* Turnera ulmifolia L.

Keighery/Gibson 01, 118, Mitchell 2274

Family Typhaceae

Typha domingensis Pers.

Keighery sr

Family Ulmaceae

Celtis philippensis Blanco

Keighery/Gibson 225

Family Verbenaceae

Callicarpa candicans (Burm.f.)Hochr.

Clerodendrum floribundum R.Br. var. coriaceum

(R. Br.) Mold.

Clerodendrum tomentosum (Vent.) R.Br. var. lanceolatum (F.Muell) Munir

Premna acuminata R.Br.

Stachytarpheta cayennensis (Rich.)Vahl

Vitex acuminata R.Br. Vitex glabrata R.Br. Keighery/Gibson 03

Vernon 45, Keighery/Gibson 124

Vernon 68

Keighery/Gibson 90, 226, 227

Mitchell 3110

Vernon 08, Keighery/Gibson 23, 29, 81

Vernon 13

Family Violaceae

Hybanthus aurantiacus (F.Muell.ex Benth.)F.Muell.

Hybanthus enneaspermus (L.)F.Muell.

Keighery/Gibson 13

Vernon 46

Family Vitaceae

Ampelocissus acetosa (F.Muell.)Planch.

Cayratia trifolia (L.)Domin Cissus adnata Roxb.

Keighery sr

Keighery/Gibson 80

Keighery sr

Family Zygophyllaceae

Tribulopis angustifolia R.Br.

Keighery/Gibson 125