

**Ecological Cultural Knowledge –
Paakantyi (Barkindji)**

Knowledge shared by the

(1) Paakantyi (Barkindji) people,

(2) Mutthi Mutthi and Yitha Yitha,

(3) Paakantji and Maraura people (Lake Victoria)

Lower Murray Darling Catchment
Management Authority

- The aim of this series of three beautifully produced books is to capture and preserve the rich knowledge and heritage of the Aboriginal people of the lower Murray Darling catchment region.
- The books are colour coded for each group of plants (trees, shrubs, forbs, etc.) and contain a detailed description and information regarding their use.
- There are three photos for each plant: usually the plant, fruit and seed.

**Plants of Melbourne's Western Plains
A gardener's guide to the original flora
2nd Edition**

Australian Plants Society,
Keilor Plains Group Inc

- According to Catherine, our librarian, this 2nd edition is far superior to the previous one.
- This is a gardening book that covers not only the plants but also the geology of the Western Plains, how to create a garden to attract birds, butterflies, frogs and reptiles.
- It is full of beautiful photos of plants and the region, diagrams and maps.
- It may not be our region but it is full of vital information for gardeners and plant and wildlife lovers.

**Trees, Truffles, and Beasts
How forests Function**

Chris Maser, Andrew W. Claridge, and
James M Trappe

Publisher: Rutgers University Press

- Perhaps a more seminal book but very interesting subject handled in an interesting way.
- Of the three authors one is an American and writes from that perspective. One is Australian and writes from that perspective. And the third is an American who spent many years in Australia.
- Lots of photos and diagrams.