

12. Also on your left is ***Acacia cardiophylla***, or West Wyalong Wattle, with ferny, light green, bipinnate foliage and masses of yellow ball flowers (photo below left). It occurs in the wild in central and southern New South Wales.



13. Cross back to your left to see on your left ***Acacia buxifolia***, or Box-leaf Wattle, an open bush with red stems, small grey-green upright foliage and gold ball flowers (photo above right). It is native to eastern Australia.



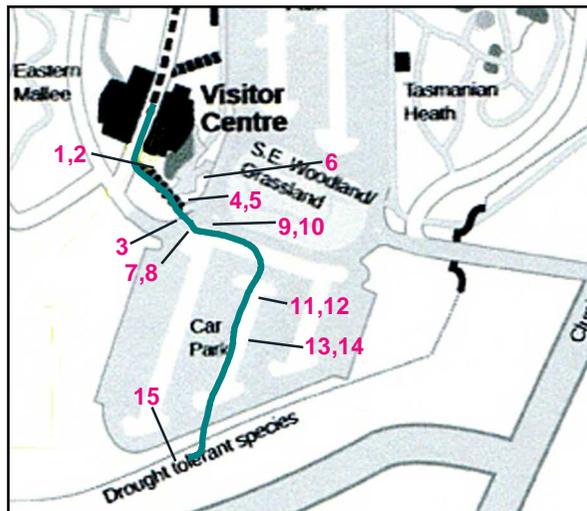
14. Also on your left is ***Acacia hakeoides***, or Hakea Wattle, a small tree with linear green foliage, reddish stems, and clusters of large yellow flower balls (photo above). It is native to southern Australia.



15. Cross the road to see on your left many ***Pomaderris intermedia*** bushes in flower, a large shrub with dark green shiny oblong leaves and large heads of yellow flowers (photo above). This plant is found in southeastern coastal New South Wales and Victoria with small populations in northeastern Tasmania.



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A visitor near the car park



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Today we will stay close to the Visitor Centre to appreciate some of the marvellous plants, mostly wattles, flowering in the car park



1. Turn left from the Visitor Centre, take the steps down to your left to see on your left ***Allocasuarina inophloia***, a small open-canopied tree with remarkable hairy, shaggy bark (photo above). This plant is found mostly in northeastern New South Wales and southeastern Queensland, with some occurrences further north on the Queensland coast.

2. Also on your left, along the Cascade, is ***Acacia menzeli***, or Menzel's Wattle, a spreading wattle with sprays of yellow ball flowers (photo next page top left). This plant is listed as vulnerable in the wild and is endemic to South Australia.



3. Still on your left is ***Phebalium squamulosum subsp. lineare***, a medium-sized shrub with dull green needle foliage and yellow star flowers (photo above right). It is found in the wild chiefly in the upper Hunter Valley of New South Wales, also in Victoria.



4. On your right is ***Allocasuarina torulosa***, or Rose She-oak, a small tree with fine foliage, many rounded warty nuts and thick corky bark (photos above). It grows in the wild in the coastal areas of New South Wales and Queensland.



5. Also on your right is ***Acacia dawsonii***, or Poverty Wattle, medium sized bush with grey-green foliage covered in small yellow ball flowers (photo above). This plant is native to Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland.

6. On your left is ***Logania***, named after James Logan, an Irish-born American botanist of the 17-18th century (photo below). The small bush has strongly scented white flowers and green needle like-foliage. The plant grows naturally in eastern mainland Australia.



7. Cross the road carefully to see on your right ***Hardenbergia violacea***, a vigorous vine with oblong leathery leaves and bright purple pea flowers (photo below). This plant is also known as False Sarsparilla, or Purple Coral Pea. It is widespread in the wild along the coastal areas of eastern and southeastern Australia, including Tasmania.



8. As you go down the steps on your right is ***Acacia pravissima 'Kuranga Cascade'***, a weeping or prostrate wattle with triangular grey-green phyllodes and masses of golden ball flowers (photo below).



9. Cross the parking lot to see on your right ***Acacia loderi***, also known as Nelia or Nealie, a small tree or shrub with fine curved, grey phyllodes and bright yellow ball flowers later in spring (photo below). This plant is found in the wild mostly in western New South Wales.



10. Also on your right is ***Acacia grandifolia***, a small tree with long rods of gold flowers and large grey-green leaves (photo below). This plant is vulnerable in the wild and is found in southeastern Queensland.



11. Along the parking lot to your left is ***Acacia bulgaensis*** on your left, a small tree with flaky red bark, small green phyllodes and yellow rod flowers opening (photo below). This plant is found in the wild in northern coastal New South Wales.

