

Gardening podcasts are a terrific source of useful plant information. Photo by [William Iven](#) on [Unsplash](#)

GARDENING PODCASTS

Information about plants and gardening can come from a variety of sources including online podcasts.

For those not familiar with podcasts, they are audio recordings, much like a radio program, with episodes that can be listened to on demand from the internet.

An ever-growing number of gardening and horticulture related podcasts are being produced, and are a valuable

source of botanical and practical information for avid gardeners.

A few notable podcasts for gardening enthusiasts covering a broad range of topics include:

[All the Dirt](#) – Steve Wood and Deryn Thorpe. Winner of the 2018 Horticultural Media Association of Australia's best audio presentation award.

[Branch Out](#) – from the Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney.

[Gardening Australia](#) – also provides access to video content.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: *Canberra Times* subscription required

The ANBG Library has an upcoming vacancy for a library volunteer who would like to monitor the *Canberra Times*, *Canberra Weekly*, *City News* and *The Chronicle* for articles relating to the ANBG.

Any articles found need to be cut out of the publication and then brought to the ANBG Library once a month for inclusion in our Archive.

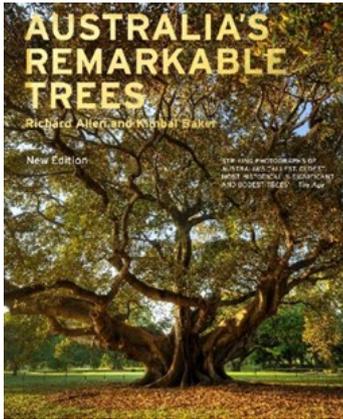
Expressions of interest can be sent via email to ANBG.library@environment.gov.au by 15 March.

BUSH BLITZ FEATURED

The Bush Blitz trip to Lake Mungo in August 2017 has been the focus of a science and conservation report in the Autumn edition of *The Gardens*, published by Foundation & Friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney.

The report highlights the important work undertaken on these trips, including the collection and documentation of plant specimens. The full report is available in *The Gardens* on display in the Library.

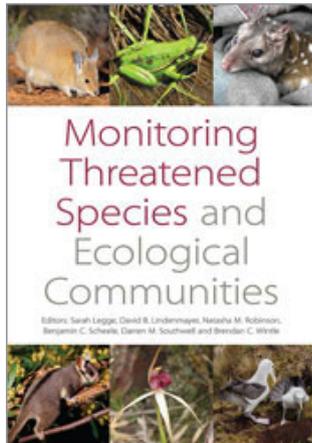
A SELECTION OF NEW BOOKS



Australia's remarkable trees (New Edition)/ Richard Allen & Kimbal Baker.
Melbourne, Vic.: Miegunyah Press. 2014. ISBN: 9780522866599
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Richly illustrated with more than 500 photographs, writer Richard Allen and photographer Kimbal Baker went to the far reaches of Australia; travelling more than 60 000 kilometres to photograph trees and tell their stories. *Australia's Remarkable Trees* is not just a celebration of Australia's great trees. It also prompts us to look to the future to see what lies in store for them. It is a call to arms to preserve and protect our oldest and most magnificent living things, and the forests and wilderness in which they live. This is the new edition of the much-loved original version.

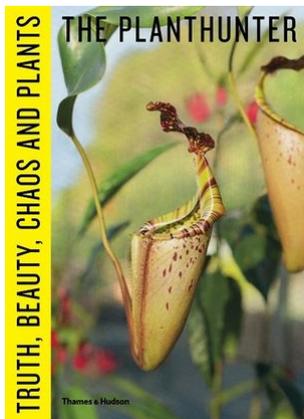
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Monitoring Threatened Species and Ecological Communities / Sarah Legge, David Lindenmayer, Natasha Robinson, Benjamin Scheele, Darren Southwell & Brendan Wintle (editors)
Clayton South, Vic.: CSIRO Publishing. 2018. ISBN: 9781486307715
339.9522 MON

Monitoring Threatened Species and Ecological Communities aims to improve the standard of monitoring for Australia's threatened biodiversity. It gathers insights from some of the most experienced managers and scientists involved with monitoring programs for threatened species and ecological communities in Australia, and evaluates current monitoring programs, establishing a baseline against which the quality of future monitoring activity can be managed. Case studies provide examples of practical pathways to improve the quality of biodiversity monitoring, and guidelines to improve future programs are proposed.

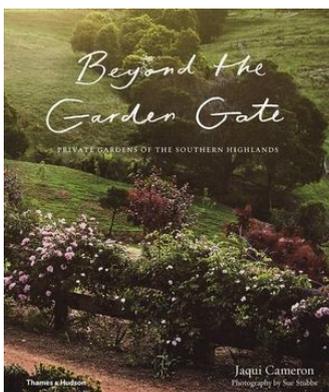
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The Planthunter: Truth, Beauty, Chaos and Plants/ Georgina Reid & Daniel Shipp.
Port Melbourne, Vic.: Thames & Hudson. 2018. ISBN: 9781760760236
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The Planthunter: Truth, Beauty, Chaos and Plants is a culmination of the five years spent pondering questions of plants, people and connection via The Planthunter website. It's a celebration of the extraordinary and ordinary ways people around the world, including in Australia, find truth, beauty, purpose and connection through the act of gardening. It's a reflection of our complementary creative vision, shared aesthetic sensibility, and commitment to truthful storytelling.

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Beyond the Garden Gate: private gardens of the Southern Highlands/ Jaqui Cameron.
Port Melbourne, Vic.: Thames & Hudson. 2018. ISBN: 9781760760014
712.6099446 CAM

This book tells the very personal stories behind the creation of twenty magnificent private gardens located in the Southern Highlands of New South Wales. Each story is unique however they share a passion to create and nurture a private haven, taking advantage of the Southern Highlands' climate that celebrates four distinct growing seasons. Big, small, rural, suburban, formal, informal, native and exotic, the variety in the designs revealed in these pages will be sure to delight.

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NEW BOOKS CONTINUED



Burning Planet: the story of fire through time/ Andrew C. Scott
Oxford, U.K.: Oxford University Press. 2018. ISBN: 9780198734840
577.24 SCO

Raging wildfires have devastated vast areas of California and Australia in recent years, and predictions are that we will see more of the same in coming years as a result of climate change. But this is nothing new. Since the dawn of life on land, large-scale fires have played their part in shaping life on Earth.

Andrew C. Scott tells the whole story of fire's impact on our planet's atmosphere, climate, vegetation, ecology, and the evolution of plant and animal life. It has caused mass extinctions, and it has propelled the spread of flowering plants. Looking at the impact of wildfires in our own time, Scott also looks forward to how we might better manage them in future, as climate change has an increasing effect on our world.

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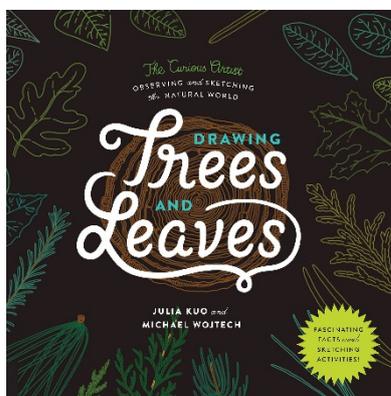


Garden Love: plants, dogs, country gardens/ Simon Griffiths
Port Melbourne: Thames & Hudson. 2018. ISBN: 9781760760083
712.60994 GRI

Simon Griffiths is a brilliant photographer, bringing warmth and joy to all his subjects, but he is also a very knowledgeable plantsman. In this book he has captured his favourite 20 country-style gardens and shares the knowledge he has gleaned from fellow garden lovers.

This book is like a spending a warm afternoon with friends under a tree in a country garden. This book is oh-so-Australian, in that there are riotous gardens, extraordinary plantings and green, green spaces, all set against the backdrop of the distinctive Australian landscape.

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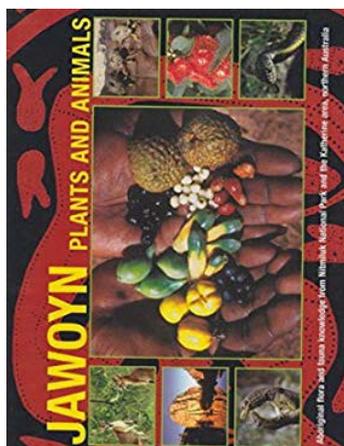


Drawing Trees and Leaves: observing / Julia Kuo & Michael Wojtech
Beverly, Massachusetts.: Quarry. 2017. ISBN: 978163592607
743.7 KUO

Drawing Trees and Leaves merges information, inspiration and instruction to guide readers to develop their drawing skills and powers of observation.

Trees are a perennially inspiring subject for artists. Start by learning how to identify trees and leaves, their benefit and life stages, the oldest trees, famous forests, and other fascinating aspects and phases of growth. Then, use this inspiration paired with charming prompts to draw the diverse beauty of these endlessly captivating and beautiful subjects.

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Jawoyn plants and animals: Aboriginal flora and fauna knowledge from Nitmiluk National Park and the Katherine area, northern Australia/ Phyllis Wijnjorrotj et al.

Katherine, N.T.: Jawoyn Association & Ethnobiology Project. Department of Natural Resources, Environment and the Arts, 2005. ISBN: 1920772111
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Jawoyn plants and animals records the traditional aboriginal Jawoyn names and uses of almost 600 plants and animals found on Jawoyn country. It has been prepared at the instigation of Jawoyn elders as a critical component of joint management of country and the conservation of traditional knowledge.

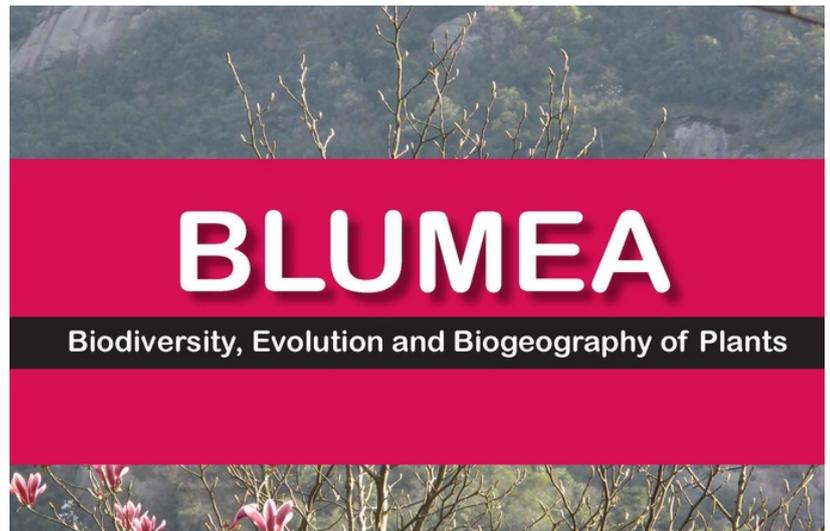
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FEATURED E-JOURNAL : *Blumea*

This month's featured e-journal is *Blumea: Biodiversity, Evolution and Biogeography of Plants*. [Blumea](#) is an international open access journal, which focuses on topics such as systematics, floristics, phylogeny, morphology and anatomy.

The website notes that floristic studies on tropical African plants south of the Sahara, tropical Southeast Asia with a strong emphasis on Malesia and the Guianas region of South America are a particular focus of the journal.

The journal is publishing online only, three times a year and roughly comprises 100 pages per volume.



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FROM THE ANBG ARCHIVE : *The Phalloids of Australasia*

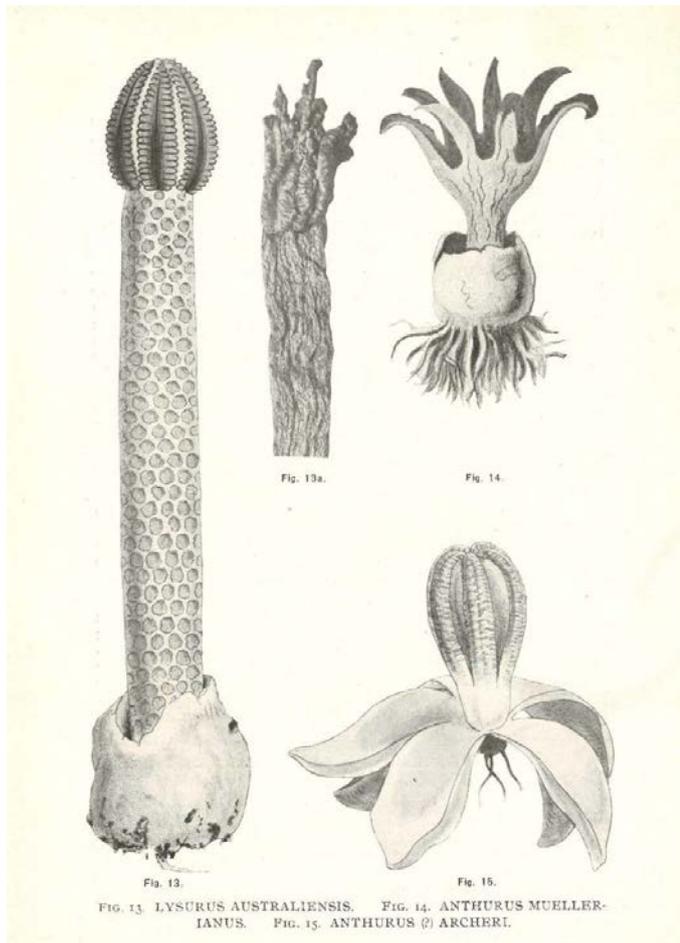


FIG. 13. *LYSURUS AUSTRALIENSIS*. FIG. 14. *ANTHURUS MUELLERIANUS*. FIG. 15. *ANTHURUS (?) ARCHERI*.

An illustrated page from *The Phalloids of Australasia*.

This month's item from the archive is "*The Phalloids of Australasia: An account of what is known, or rather what little is known, of the subject, and illustrations (more or less accurate) of the species that have been figured by C.G. Lloyd*", originally published in July 1907 in Cincinnati, Ohio, U.S.A. Curtis Gates Lloyd (1859-1926) was an American mycologist who had an extensive personal fungarium and was responsible for naming over a thousand new species of fungi.

The Phalloids comes from our collection of Rare Pamphlets. These are publications, many produced by government, that are shorter than a book, but often contain valuable information which may not be found elsewhere.

The 24 pages contain black and white illustrations and an accompanying description of each of the identified phalloids from Australia and New Zealand. The pamphlet is important as it addressed a knowledge gap with limited work having previously been done on Australasian phalloids.