

12. On your right is *Brachychiton rupestris*, or Queensland Bottle Tree, a small tree with a trunk swollen with water, endemic to central Queensland and northern New South Wales (photo below left).



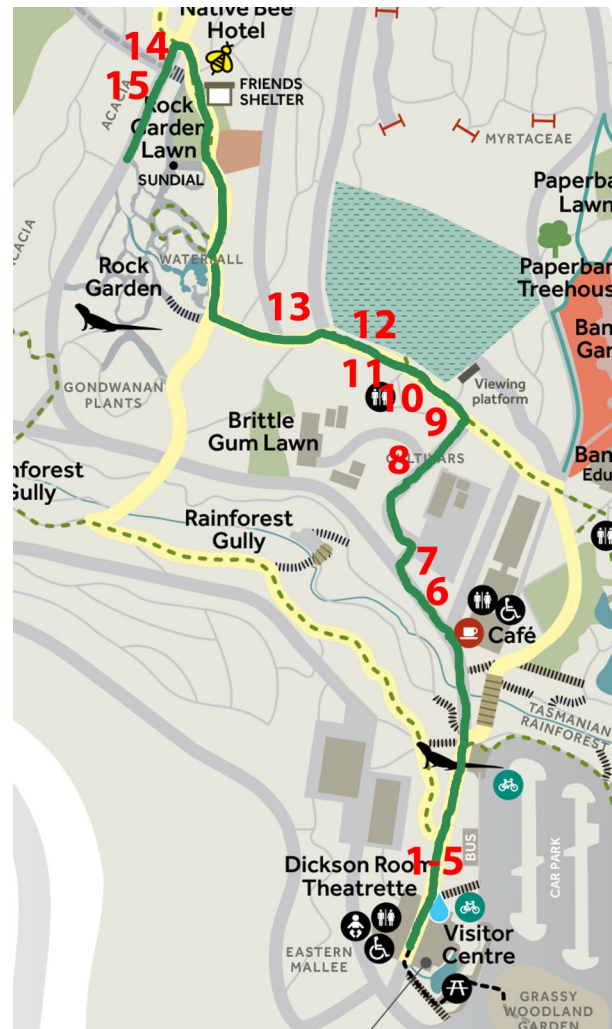
13. Turn right in front of the waterfall to see, on your right, in a pot, *Rhodanthe anthemoides* also known as Chamomile Sunray, a mound of grey-green foliage almost covered with maroon buds opening to white daisy flowers with gold centres (photo above right). This plant is widespread on the mainland but listed as rare in Tasmania.

14. Turn left along the road above the Rock Garden, to see on your right, *Acacia ingramii*, a large bush or small tree with fine linear foliage and masses of gold ball flowers. This plant is native to areas near Armidale in northern New South Wales.



15. Also on your right is *Acacia amoena*, or Boomerang Wattle, a small bush with tough yellow-green leaves and golden ball flowers (photo above right). This plant is native to New South Wales and northern Victorian tablelands.

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Today we will walk from the Visitor Centre, up the hill behind the café, right behind the depot, then up to the Wattle section



1. After you leave the Visitor Centre, on your right is *Guichenotia ledifolia*, a small shrub with grey-green foliage covered in drooping, dusty pink 5-petaled flowers with maroon centres (photo above). This plant is native to southwestern Western Australia.

2. On your right is *Coronidium sp.*, commonly known as the White Paper Daisy or Tall Everlasting, a compact shrub with silvery-grey leaves and many white paper daisies with gold centres, native to the open forests of eastern Australia (photo next page top left).



3. On your left, in a pot, is **Geleznovia verrucosa** with close grey-green foliage and bright yellow terminal flowers (photo above right). This genus was described by Ukrainian-Russian botanist Nicolai Stepanovitch Turczaninow in 1849 and its only species is *Geleznovia verrucosa*, native to the west coast of Western Australia north of Perth.

4. Again on your left is **Epacris longiflora 'Nectar Pink'**, a very floriferous small shrub covered in slender pink bells with white tips (photo below).



5. On your right, both in the ground and in a pot, is **Pimelea physodes**, or Qualup Bell, with grey-green foliage close to reddish stems with pendant green bracts enclosing the small flowers and dark red outer bracts (photo below). This plant is native to southwestern Western Australia and is considered the most outstanding of the genus.



6. Bear left up the hill behind the café to see on your right **Banksia spinulosa var. collina**, with fine linear foliage and slender, dull gold flowers (photo below left)). This shrub, commonly known as Hill Banksia or Golden Candlesticks, is native to the east coast of Australia in Queensland and New South Wales.



7. Bear right behind the depot, to see on your right, **Acacia covenyi**, commonly known as Blue Bush, which has magnificent silver-grey foliage and masses of contrasting bright lemon ball flowers (photo above right). This plant is rare in the wild and is confined to Deua National Park in southeastern New South Wales.



8. On your left is **Grevillea 'Poorinda Diadem'**, a tall straggly bush with many butterscotch yellow flowers with long red styles thought to be a seedling selection from *Grevillea 'Poorinda Leane'* developed by Leo Hodge (photo above).

9. Turn left up the hill, to see on your left, **Grevillea 'Legacy Flame'**, a small grevillea, bred locally by Bywong Nursery, which commemorates 100 years of Legacy Australia with flame-like orange-red flowers which resemble the Legacy torch (photo below left).



10. Also on your left is **Correa 'Lemon Twist'**, a hybrid between *C. reflexa var. nummularia* and *C. alba* which occurred in the gardens of Native Plant Wholesalers in Mount Gambier (photo above right). 'Lemon Twist' forms a spreading shrub, 20cm high x 1m wide, with shiny foliage and well displayed lemon flowers over a long period.



11. Again on your left is **Grevillea 'Bloodline'**, a new grevillea bred at Bywong Nursery by Peter Ollerenshaw, a similar long flowering variety to *Grevillea 'Lady O'*, but with a slightly arching habit (photo above).