

12. Also on your left is **Grevillea 'Mason's Hybrid'**, a spreading bush with large spider blooms of pink, red and orange (photo below left).



13. Bear left down the hill to see, low on your right, **Brachyscome multifida 'Country Lights'**, a mounding daisy with fine green foliage and dark purple flowers with gold centres (photo above right).

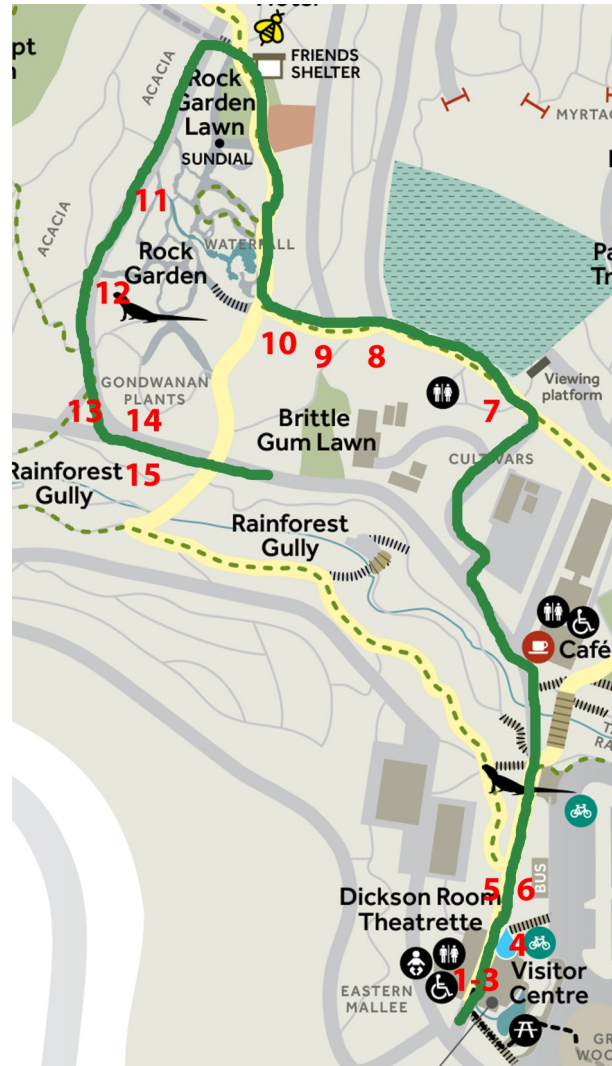


14. **Callistemon viminalis**, on your left, is a tree with drooping foliage and brilliant red flowers (photos above). This plant, also known as Weeping Bottlebrush, is native to New South Wales and Queensland.



15. On your right is **Callistemon montanus**, with bright red flowers with gold tips (photos above). This plant is a haven for both birds and butterflies and is native to northern New South Wales and southern Queensland.

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Today we will walk from the Visitor Centre, bear left behind the café and right behind the depot, then left up the hill towards the Rock Garden, pass in front of the Rock Garden, then left along the road above the Rock Garden to complete the circle



1. As you approach the Visitor Centre on your left is **Acacia binervia 'Sterling Silver'**, a hardy mounding plant, tolerant of windy sites and almost any well-drained soil, with beautiful silver-grey foliage and showy yellow rod flowers (photo above).

2. Also on your left is **Eremophila subfloccosa subsp. subfloccosa**, a low, spreading shrub with furry, silver foliage claspings the stem and green tubular flowers (photo next page top left). This plant is native to central and southern Western Australia and South Australia.



3. To the right of the door to the Visitor Centre, in a pot, is ***Pilidostigma rhytispermum***, or Small-leaved Plum Myrtle, a woody shrub with small leaves and cream cup flowers with prominent yellow stamens (photo above right). This plant has black fruits which are attractive to many fruit eating birds and is native to the coast of southeastern Queensland.



4. After the Visitor Centre look down to your right to see ***Grevillea 'Peaches and Cream'*** with divided green leaves and large flower heads of pink and cream (photos above). This hybrid was developed in Queensland by Jan Glazebrook and Dennis Cox and patented in 2006.

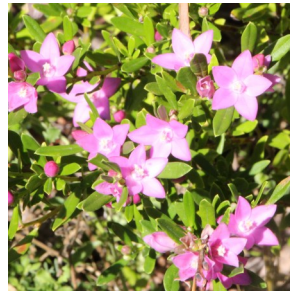


5. On your left is ***Syzygium 'Cascade'***, a cultivated hybrid between *Syzygium luehmannii* (a NSW/Qld species) and *S. wilsonii* (a northern Qld species) (photo above). New growth is an attractive bronze-pink colour and the flowers are pink.

6. On your right is ***Corymbia 'Summer Red'***, a grafted eucalypt with dark green leathery foliage, attractive new red foliage and beautiful bud formations (photo below).



7. Bear left behind the café, then right behind the depot, then left uphill towards the Rock Garden, to see on your left, ***Crowea 'Little Rockstar'***, a compact form of *Crowea*, reaching only 60-80cm high, from a seedling variant growing at the ANBG (photo below). This plant has many pink star flowers.



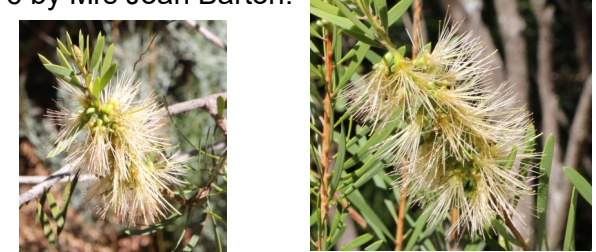
8. Further on your left is ***Correa alba***, or White Correa, with grey-green leaves with silver backs and white star flowers (photo below). This correa is a popular and reliable plant in the garden, native to eastern coastal regions of Australia, first formally described by Henry Cranke Andrews in 1798.



9. Further on your left is ***Callistemon recurvus***, or Tinaroo Bottlebrush, with bright red flowers and some leaves with the edges curved under (photo below). This plant is endemic to coastal northern Queensland.



10. Still on your left is ***Callistemon pachyphyllus 'Smoked Salmon'***, with pink brushes on stiff foliage (photos below). This plant is a selected, naturally occurring, pink flowered form of *C. pachyphyllus* found growing amongst the normal red flowered form in the Runaway Bay area of the Gold Coast, brought into cultivation in 1976 by Mrs Joan Barton.



11. Turn right in front of the waterfall, follow the Main Path to the road, then sharp left to see, on your left, ***Acacia cognata***, or Bower Wattle, a graceful, weeping tree with green linear leaves, native to southeastern mainland Australia (photos below).

