WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Note that depending on dates of publication, *Flora of Australia* volumes may provide more up to date treatments than some State-specific printed resources. See http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/abrs/online-resources/flora/main/

This section lists general cross-family resources, mainly of the 'plants-of-area' sort. For additional resources, see other sections of this bibliography (e.g. Weeds, Threatened Species, particular plant groups or habitats, Algae, Fungi).

WA Identification service

Western Australian Herbarium

http://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/plants-and-animals/wa-herbarium

Phone: Collections Manager, 08 9219 9130; email: herbarium@dbca.wa.gov.au

Street Address: Western Australian Herbarium, Keiran McNamara Conservation Science Centre at the Department of Parks and Wildlife, 17 Dick Perry Avenue, Kensington WA.

Postal: Western Australian Herbarium, Dept of Conservation & Land Management,

Locked Bag 104, Bentley Delivery Centre, WA 6983.

Scope: native and naturalised flowering plants, bryophytes, lichens, slime moulds and algae. See website for services *not* provided.

Charges: Fees apply, but may be waived for specimens of conservation, veterinary, medical or weed significance.

Submission of plant material: Over the counter (9am-4pm weekdays; for batches of >5 specimens please phone to make an appointment time), or by mail (if properly dried and prepared – see website for guidelines and downloadable inquiry form; prior liaison encouraged). Self-help:

- The Reference Herbarium at the WA Herbarium is accessible to members of the public from 8am-5pm weekdays, except public holidays. Quarantine and other user conditions apply see website. Microscopes are available, and some computers with interactive identification tools and links to FloraBase and other Internet resources. An extensive set of botanical reference books is also available. The Reference Herbarium contains sample specimens for identification by comparison, with at least one representative specimen for each native and introduced Western Australian vascular plant.
- Regional Herbaria Network: The WA Herbarium assists a network of over 70 regional community groups to maintain local reference collections of duplicate specimens, which can be consulted by the public. For details and locations see http://florabase.dpaw.wa.gov.au/rhn/

AGWEST Plant Laboratories (WA Dept of Agriculture and Food)

https://www.agric.wa.gov.au/pest-insects/weed-and-insect-identification

Weed and insect identifications. For inquiry forms and contact details, see website.

WA plant census

WACENSUS ELECTRONIC RESOURCE: The WACENSUS database is maintained by the

Western Australian Herbarium and is the backbone for the *Florabase* plant information system (see next). Census inquiries should be directed to the Herbarium – see above for contact details

The last printed version of a WA Census was:

Paczkowska G & Chapman AR (2000) The Western Australian flora: a descriptive catalogue. Wildflower Society of Western Australia, Western Australian Herbarium and the Botanic Gardens & Parks Authority, Perth. 652 pp. ISBN 0646401009.

Lists the 11,922 vascular plant species of WA recognised as at 2000 (so now well out of date), including naturalised exotics. Descriptive information is limited to one or two lines, with brief ecological notes and distribution codes. There are no keys or illustrations.

WA State Flora/Plant information system

Florabase

• **ELECTRONIC RESOURCE: ON-LINE; some interactivity** https://florabase.dpaw.wa.gov.au/

The *FloraBase* website is the only fully comprehensive 'flora' for WA. It covers all native and naturalized vascular plant taxa, and integrates information drawn from:

- Census of WA Plants the authoritative listing of native and alien plant names
- Plant descriptions a short (sometimes very short) version for each WA vascular plant species, plus comprehensive descriptions of all genera and families
- Botanical library catalogue
- Plant images
- Spatial data from specimen data and other sources (provides coarse-scale maps)
- Herbarium specimen database over 600,000 records

FloraBase interactive keys:

Florabase also includes a growing number of WA-specific interactive identification tools, some in the Lucid system and some in DELTA (software downloads for both may be required – links are provided).

Tools available as at July 2015 include interactive keys (various authors) to the following:

- Families of WA plants (in DELTA; on-line tutorial and user-guide provided);
- Key to genera of WA plants (in DELTA; on-line tutorial and user-guide provided);
- DELTA keys to WA genera within families (48 families to date);
- WA species of Goodeniacae, Haemodoraceae, Lamiaceae, Proteaceae, Restionaceae (all in Lucid);
- WATTLE Acacias of Australia 2.2 (national scope, in Lucid);
- Australian Tropical Rainforest Key, edition 6 (national scope, in Lucid).

Only the last two of these (both excellent) are here evaluated.

WA field guides and handbooks – general

Blackall WE & Grieve BJ (1979-1998) How to know Western Australian wildflowers: a key to

the flora of the extratropical regions of Western Australia. University of Western Australia Pres, Nedlands, WA. (5 vols.)

- Part I (2nd ed.) (Dicotyledons: Casuarinaceae to Chenopodiaceae). (1988) 458 pp. ISBN 0855642521.
- Part II (2nd ed.), [Author as BJ Grieve only] (1998) 731 pp. ISBN 1875560297.
- Part IIIA (2nd ed.) (1980) 352 pp. ISBN 0855641606.
- Part IIIB (2nd ed.) (Dicotyledons: Epacridaceae Lamiaceae). (1981) ISBN 0855641614.
- Part IV (2nd ed.) with updating Supplement. (1982) 530 pp. ISBN 0855641975.

Now extremely out of date and mainly of historical interest (just occasionally still of use for some families and some regions, if better resources not available). Keys to genera and species, illustrated with small line drawings which appear rudimentary but often capture diagnostic characteristics very well. Some colour photos in later volumes and editions. The keys are user-friendly. Ridiculously complicated structure, index, and publishing history, including a single-volume of Parts I-III in 1974.

Nevill S (2018) Common Wildflowers of Western Australia: 215 Species Illustrated. Woodslane. 28 pp. ISBN 9781921874413

A very introductory overview, covering 215 mostly common species; colour images and plain-English text.

Erickson R, George AS, Marchant NG & Morcombe MK (1979) Flowers and plants of Western Australia. Rev. edn. Reed, Sydney. 231 pp. ISBN 058950116X.

Over 500 species, mostly south-western, shown in good quality colour photos; very little descriptive text, now badly dated.

WA field guides and handbooks — the South-West

Barrett R & Tay EP (2005) Perth Plants: a field guide to the bushland and coastal flora of Kings Park and Bold Park, Perth, Western Australia. Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority, Perth, WA. 414 pp. ISBN 0876479078.

Comprehensive guide to all 756 species of native and naturalised plants known to occur in Kings Park and Bold Park, organised by family and genus. Very brief descriptive and distributional notes with fair-quality colour photos. No keys to species, but includes a useful quick-guide to families covered, using simple characters and thumbnail photos.

Barrett S & Cochrane A (2005) Wildflowers of the Stirling Range. Department of Conservation and Land Management. 72 pp. ISBN-10: 0730755533; ISBN-13: 9780730755531. [One of the *Bush Books* series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

Soft cover introductory guide covering a small selection of the species of this very rich area.

[NOT SEEN]

Bellairs D & Blake T (1990) Common native plants of Kalbarri and the Murchison Sandplain. Pioneer Design Studio, Lilydale, Vic. 64 pp. ISBN 090967437X.

One of a growing series of "Plant identikit", illustrated pocket sized booklets for various regions. Moderately useful illustrations of selected species, brief descriptions, and notes on confusable species in the area.

Bennett EM & Dundas PJ (1988) The bushland plants of Kings Park Western Australia. Kings Park Publications, Perth. 176 pp. ISBN 073165031X.

Short descriptions and good colour paintings of species in this rich Perth suburban bushland area. No keys. Plant names are dated in some groups due to recent revisions. Fully superseded by Barrett & Tay (2005).

Brown A, Keighery G & Thomson C (2006) Common wildflowers of the South-West forests. WA Dept. of Conservation and Land Management. 72 pp. ISBN-10: 0730969606; ISBN-13: 9780730969600. [One of the Bush Books series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

Paperback pocket-sized beginner's guide to 33 common wildflower species of the forest areas of the region (e.g. Bibbulmun Track). [NOT SEEN]

Collins J (2009) Threatened flora of the Western Central Wheatbelt. Dept of Environment & Conservation, Bentley WA. 160 pp. ISBN 9780730755975. ELECTRONIC RESOURCE, ON-LINE (free PDF): http://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/images/documents/plants-animals/threatened_species/recovery_plans/wildlife_management_plans/threatened_flora_western_central_wheatbelt.pdf

A rarity-spotter's guide, with profiles of 70 rare, poorly known or undescribed taxa. Brief descriptions and notes, with distribution maps and good colour photos including detail shots.

Corrick MG & Fuhrer BA (2009) Wildflowers of southern Western Australia. 3rd edn. Rosenberg Publishing, Dural Delivery Ctr, NSW. 224 pp. ISBN 9781877058844.

Covers 755 species, with short descriptions and distribution notes, and excellent colour photos. Names have been updated from previous editions, but treatments have not been fully revised. Useful nevertheless for the sheer number of taxa included.

Craig GF (1995) Native plants of the Ravensthorpe region. Ravensthorpe Wildflower Show Inc., Post Office, Ravensthorpe, WA. 62 pp. ISBN0646235567.

150 common and conspicuous species (of the 2300 in the area) are grouped by landform of occurrence; fair to good colour photos for each are accompanied by brief descriptions and notes. Some species treated are now defined or named differently, but still useful.

Dixon K. (2011) Coastal Plants. A guide to the identification and restoration of plants of the Perth region. CSIRO Publishing, Collingwood, Vic. 277 pp. ISBN 9780643100473 (pbk), 9780643101753 (epdf), 9780643102224 (epub).

A restorationist's guide to the 100 most common species of the near-coastal areas of south-western Australia with main focus on the Quindalup dune system between Geraldton and Busselton, but with some applicability as far north as Shark Bay and east to Esperance. Plain language descriptions

with good colour photos and notes on pollination, distribution, propagation, and use in restoration. Excellent introductory chapters on the ecology and biology of plants of the region, and on restoration planning and techniques, including collection and use of seed. **ELECTRONIC RESOURCE**: available in e-book form.

Erickson R, George AS, Marchant NG & Morcombe MK (1979) Flowers and plants of Western Australia. Rev. edn. Reed, Sydney. 231 pp. ISBN 058950116X.

Over 500 good quality colour plates; mostly south-western, very little descriptive text, now badly dated.

Esperance Wildflower Society (1992-1997) Wildflowers of Esperance. Esperance Wildflower Society, Esperance, WA. (3 vols.) ISBN 0646240315 (set).

Vol. 1: 24 pp; ISBN-10: 0646122142; ISBN-13: 9780646122144

Vol. 2: ISBN-10: 0646240323; ISBN-13: 9780646240329

Vol. 3: ISBN 0646323229 [pre-publication; not seen]

Soft-cover booklets with variable-quality colour photos and vestigial text, covering about 330 species.

Esperance Wildflower Society [2001] Wildflowers of Cape Le Grand National Park.

Esperance Wildflower Society, Esperance, WA. 81 pp. ISBN 0957979703.

Covers about 320 local species, with variable quality colour photos and vestigial text.

Foss J, Foss P, & Gurry P (2005?) Wildflowers of Dryandra Woodland. WA Dept. of Conservation and Land Management. 72 pp. ISBN 0730755541. [One of the *Bush Books* series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

Soft cover introductory guide covering a small selection of the species of the Narrogin region. [NOT SEEN]

Fuhrer B & Marchant N (1989) Wildflowers of the Stirling Range. The Field Naturalists Club of Victoria, South Yarra, Vic. 25 pp. ISBN 0959807497.

Covers 140 species, a small proportion of those in the area, with good colour photos and very brief caption information. Now somewhat dated.

Ireland A, & Macey K (2003) Wildflowers of the northern Bibbulmun Track and jarrah forests: a walker's field guide. The Bibbulmun Track Foundation, Perth. 103 PP. ISBN 0975076701.

Long-pocket fieldguide format. Covers almost 300 species, grouped by family, with small fair to good colour photos and minimal descriptive information. Photographed specimens are vouchered but voucher numbers are not cited.

Keighery BJ & Longman VM (2002) Tuart (Eucalyptus gomphocephala) and Tuart communities. Perth Branch Wildflower Society of Western Australia (Inc.). 330 pp. ISBN 0958701148.

ELECTRONIC RESOURCE, ON-LINE: free PDF:

http://www.triggbushland.org.au/images/Tuart_Book_WS.pdf

Not an identification text as such, but contains exhaustive checklists of native and introduced species for twelve different locales of this community that will assist the identification process.

Marchant NG, Wheeler JR, Rye BL, Bennett EM, Lander NS & Macfarlane TD (1987) Flora of the Perth region. Parts 1 and 2 (two vols.). Western Australian Herbarium,, Perth, WA. Part 1: 576 pp, ISBN 0724489665; Part 2: 497 pp, ISBN 0724489827.

Keys and botanical descriptions, some good line illustrations. Now seriously dated for some groups, but still useful especially for the generic keys.

Marshall J [1996?] Wildflowers of the West Coast Hills region. Quality Publishing Australia, [Perth?] 256pp. ISBN 1875737243.

Covers a selection of species of the Darling Range and Scarp, organised by growth form and with a complex but useful key using growth form and other "easy" characters, plus fair-quality colour photos for some species.

Nevill S & McQuoid N (2006) Guide to the wildflowers of south Western Australia. Simon Nevill Publications, Fremantle WA. 156 pp. ISBN-10: 0975601911; ISBN-13: 9780975601914.

Fair to good colour photos of over 900 species, organised by ecological community. Useful if only for the number of taxa illustrated. An update of the 1998 edition (116 pp, ISBN 0958536708), and in turn superseded by Nevill (2019) q.v.

Nevill S (2019) Guide to the wildflowers of Western Australia. Simon Nevill Publications, Fremantle WA. 156 pp. ISBN 9781925868036.

An expansion of Nevill & McQuoid (2006) above, but covers 1,150 species over a wider geographic area. [Not seen, publication pending May 2019].

Oversby B (2004) Riparian plants of the Avon catchment – a field guide. Dept of Environment, WA. 130 pp. ISBN 1920849858.

Ring-bound A5 folder format, sturdy paper. 59 stream-side taxa are briefly described, with poor to fair colour photos.

Rippey E & Rowland B (1995) Plants of the Perth coast and islands. University of Western Australia Press, Nedlands, WA, 292 pp. ISBN 1875560467.

Brief descriptions and notes of c. 120 species, with line drawings and paintings. Background section on the coastal geomorphology, etc.

Scott J & Negus P (2013) Wildflowers of southwest Australia: Augusta – Margaret River region. Cape to Cape Publishing, North Fremantle, WA. 228 pp. ISBN 9780980333770 (pbk).

500 species organised systematically, with brief descriptions and notes (but no keys), and each illustrated with fair to good colour paintings, plus colour photos of a few eucalypts. Remarkably, WA Herbarium voucher-specimen numbers are given for a majority of the species illustrated - with increasingly available on-line specimen information this will allow users to update their own hardcopy. This is a revised and retitled edition of the (2002) *Field Guide to the wildflowers of Australia's south west: Augusta – Margaret River region*.

Scott J (2014) Find That Flower: Colour Guide to the Wildflowers of Southwest Australia 2nd edition. Cape to Cape Publishing. 112pp. ISBN 9780980333794.

Covers 304 species including some weeds, with colour images of habit and flowers.

Wajon E (1999) Colour guide to Spring wildflowers of Western Australia: Part 1 – Kalbarri and the Goldfields. Wajon Publishing Company, 16 Eckersley Heights, Winthrop WA 6150, email wajonpub@wantree.com.au). 120 pp. ISBN 0646371185.

Guide to more than 220 species, fair- to very good colour photos (mostly of the flowers only), with brief descriptions and notes.

Wajon E (2000) Colour guide to Spring wildflowers of Western Australia: Part 2 – Perth and the Southwest. Wajon Publishing Company, 16 Eckersley Heights, Winthrop WA 6150, email wajonpub@wantree.com.au). 120 pp. ISBN 0957781709.

Guide to more than 220 species, good colour photos (mostly of the flowers only), with brief descriptions and notes.

Wajon E (2001) Colour guide to Spring wildflowers of Western Australia: Part 3 – Esperance and the Wheatbelt. Wajon Publishing Company, 16 Eckersley Heights, Winthrop WA 6150, email wajonpub@wantree.com.au). 120 pp. ISBN 0957781717.

Guide to more than 220 species, fair to good colour photos (mostly of the flowers only), with brief descriptions and notes.

Wheeler J & Chalmers L (1997) Native vegetation of estuaries and saline waterways in south Western Australia. Water & Rivers Commission, East Perth. 32 pp. ISBN 0730972451.

Useful booklet covering 28 species of emergent and waterside plants. Short descriptions, useful line drawings.

Wheeler J & Keighery G (2011) Common trees of the South West Forests. WA Department of Environment and Conservation. 72 pp. ISBN 9781921703140. [One of the *Bush Books* series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

A revised reprint of Wheeler (1996) 'Trees of the South West forests', this paperback booklet covers 32 common tree species, with simple descriptions, colour photos, and line illustrations. Useful general guide for the Bibbulmun Track and adjacent areas. [NOT SEEN]

Wheeler J (2007) Wildflowers of the South Coast. Revised edition. WA Dept. of Conservation and Management. (72 pp.) ISBN 0730968480. [One of the Bush Books series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

Paperback, pocket-sized guide to a small selection of species from a very rich area. This is revised from original 1996 edition. [NOT SEEN]

Wheeler J, Marchant NG, Lewington M & Graham L (2002) Flora of the south west: Bunbury – Augusta – Denmark. ABRS; Western Australian Herbarium, Department of Conservation and Land Management, in association with University of Western Australia Press, Canberra, Bentley, WA. (2 vols.) ISBN 0642568162 (set).

- Vol. 1: Introduction, Keys, Ferns to Monocotyledons. 471 pp. ISBN 0642568146.
- **Vol. 2: Dicotyledons**. 500 pp. ISBN 0642568154.

Simple illustrated keys, species descriptions with good line drawings, arranged by flower colour then by flower and inflorescence form. RECOMMENDED.

WA – field guides and handbooks -- OTHER REGIONS (Shark Bay to Kimberley, Mid-West, and eastern inland)

Australian Tropical Herbarium & CSIRO Plant Industry (2010) Australian tropical rain forest plants. Edition 6, version 6.1.

ELECTRONIC RESOURCE: INTERACTIVE. ON-LINE: http://www.anbg.gov.au/cpbr/cd-keys/rfk/

This information system runs on the Lucid 3.5 system and Matrix Java Applet - check site for system requirements. The key is easy to use on-line after short familiarisation, even with limited plant material (many characters are available) and leads to very comprehensive species fact-sheets with descriptions and notes supported by good colour images of adult plants, colour scans of juveniles, and many leaf x-ray images to show venation patterns. The system covers the seed-plants (trees, shrubs, vines, herbs, grasses, sedges, palms, pandans and epiphytes) of the rainforests (including dry scrubs and vine thickets) of northern Australia (north of a line from Broome to Townsville). RECOMMENDED

For the separate on-line interactive 'Orchid module' of this product, see Jones et al. (2010) Australian tropical rainforest orchids, in Orchid section of this bibliography or go direct to http://www.anbg.gov.au/cpbr/cd-keys/orfk/index.html

Chant A (2002) Threatened wildflowers of the Mid-West. WA Department of Conservation and Land Management, Kensington WA. 72 pp. ISBN 0730755193. [One of the Bush Books series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

Introductory pocket guide to a small selection of the many threatened species of the area. [NOT SEEN].

Collins J (2009) Threatened flora of the Western Central Wheatbelt. Dept of Environment & Conservation, Bentley WA. 160 pp. ISBN 9780730755975. ELECTRONIC RESOURCE, ON-LINE (free PDF): http://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/images/documents/plants-animals/threatened_species/recovery_plans/wildlife_management_plans/threatened_flora_western_central_wheatbelt.pdf

A rarity-spotter's guide, with profiles of 70 rare, poorly known or undescribed taxa. Brief descriptions and notes, with distribution maps and good colour photos including detail shots.

Craig GF (1983) Pilbara coastal flora. Western Australian Department of Agriculture, South Perth. 110 pp. ISBN 0724495665.

Key to common species of the coastal strip, including those of the mangroves and salt-marshes, with short plain-language descriptions and colour photos. Notes on distribution within and outside

the region are given. Includes a chapter on the general ecology of the area. Useful reference for a neglected area.

Datson B (2002) Samphires in Western Australia – a field guide to Chenopodiaceae Tribe Salicornieae. Department of Conservation & Land Management, Perth. 125 pp. ISBN 0730755266.

Plain-English key to species, easy descriptions and notes, with fair to excellent colour photos and line drawings. Includes sections on habitats, pests and diseases, values, seed collection, and useful bibliography and glossary.

Daw B, Walley T, & Keighery GJ (2011) Bush tucker: plants of the South-West. ["Revised reprint" of a 1997 original edition]. WA Dept. of Environment and Conservation, Kensington WA. 64 pp. ISBN 9780730968535. [One of the *Bush Books* series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

Paperback pocket guide to about 30 of the common bush tucker plants used by the Nyoongar people.

Erickson TE, Barrett RL, Merritt DJ, & Dixon KW (2016) Pilbara seed atlas and field guide: plant restoration in Australia's arid northwest. CSIRO Publishing, Clayton South, Vic. 295 pp. ISBN 9781486305520 (p'back); 9781486305537 (epdf); 9781486305544 (epub).

Not comprehensive for the area, but describes 103 taxa (no keys) using brief diagnostic descriptions and very good colour photos, and brief ecological notes. Fruits and seeds are closely described and illustrated for all species, with guidance on maturity times, cleaning requirements, viability rates, and germination requirements. Introductory chapters cover the plant diversity of the Pilbara, seed techniques for seed collection, processing and storage; seed dormancy and germination, and a systematic approach to seed use. Appendices cover seed dormancy classes and dormancy-breaking techniques, preparation and use of smoke-water for germination, and a checklist of all vascular plants of the region. An essential handbook for ecological restoration in this region, and a good model for restoration guides in general.

Friebe M & Matheson B (2006) Shrubs and trees of the Great Victoria Desert. The Friends of the Great Victoria Desert Parks. 57 pp. ISBN 0646459481.

Descriptions of 50 of the most common shrubs and trees of the region, with brief descriptions and notes and variable quality colour photos. Some bias to the South Australian portion of the GVD but also useful for the WA portion.

Greig D (2002) A photographic guide to wildflowers of outback Australia. New Holland Publishers, Frenchs Forest, NSW. 144 pp. ISBN 1864368055.

A handy but very general guide to 250 species of a huge area of the inland, in long pocket format. Small fair-quality colour photos, with very brief plain-English descriptions and notes.

Jessop, J (ed.) (1981) Flora of Central Australia. Reed, Sydney. 537 pp. ISBN 0589502262.

Now dated for some (many?) groups, but still of some use for parts of inland WA south of the monsoon zone and east of Kalgoorlie. Comprehensive keys and botanical descriptions, few line illustrations.

Johnston W et al. [2007?] Threatened, poorly known and other flora of Wongan-Ballidu.

Shire of Wongan-Ballidu, Northam, WA / WA Dept of Environment & Conservation. 146 pp. ISBN 9780730755678.

Covers 70 species of the area (50 of them listed as threatened or poorly known), with brief plain-language descriptions, variable quality colour photos, and habitat notes.

Keighery GJ (2011) Common wildflowers of the Mid-west. WA Dept. of Environment and Conservation. 72 pp. ISBN-10: 0730976084; ISBN-13: 9780730976080. [One of the *Bush Books* series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

Paperback introductory pocket guide to a selection of the common wildflowers of the Mid-west region. [NOT SEEN]

Kenneally K, Edinger DC & Willing T (1996) Broome & beyond: plants and people of the Dampier Peninsula, Kimberley, Western Australia. Department of Conservation and Land Management, Como, WA. 256 pp. ISBN 073096972X.

Introductory sections on the environment, traditional plant usage, botanical exploration, and plant communities, followed by brief descriptions and noteswith excellent colour photos for more than 700 species. RECOMMENDED

Kenneally K et al. (2007) Common Plants of the Kimberley. Revised edition. WA Dept. of Environment and Conservation. 72 pp. ISBN13: 9780730968221 [or?] 9780730969938. [One of the *Bush Books* series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

General-interest pocket guide to about 30 of the more common plant species.

Mitchell AA & Wilcox, DG (1994) Arid shrubland plants of Western Australia. 2nd edn. University of Western Australia Press/Western Australian Department of Agriculture, Nedlands, WA. 478 pp. ISBN 187556022X pbk, 187556047X hbk.

Excellent colour-photo guide to over 200 major tree, shrub and grass species of the WA interior (i.e. not including the South-west); much expanded for this edition. Selective, oriented to the pastoral industry. Each plant illustrated and described, with notes on distribution, habitat and forage value. RECOMMENDED

Moore P (2005) A guide to plants of inland Australia. Reed New Holland. 504 pp. ISBN 9781876334864.

A very useful field guide to about 900 species, albeit over a very large swathe of the continent, with short descriptions and fair-quality colour photos. Introductory sections outline the evolutionary history of the region and broad vegetation types.

Napier D, Purdie J, Alford L & Barritt M (2013) Common plants of Central Australia. Gecko Books, SA. 77 pp. ISBN 9780980852561.

General-interest pocket guide to 37 of the most common species of the region. Good colour photos, brief plain-English descriptions, and notes.

Napier J & van Leeuwen S (2008) Common plants of the Pilbara. (Revised reprint of 1996 edition). WA Dept. of Environment and Conservation, Kensington WA. 72 pp. ISBN:

9780730968467. [One of the *Bush Books* series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

General-interest pocket guide to 32 of the most common species of the region.

Payne K (2003) Native plant guide – Karlkurla Bushland Park & the Goldfields of Western Australia. Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group. 55 pp. [No ISBN].

A selection of 64 species, with fair-quality colour photos, short descriptions, notes and maps (no keys). Not remotely comprehensive for the area but a useful local starter guide.

ELECTRONIC RESOURCE: This was also issued as a CD-ROM with same title (no ISBN).

Petheram RJ & Kok B (2003) Plants of the Kimberley region of Western Australia. Rev. edn. University of Western Australian Press, Crawley, WA. 562 pp. ISBN 1920694048.

Not remotely comprehensive, but a useful handbook for this important area. Descriptions of about 240 species, organised by growth form, each with a colour photo of varying quality.

Pronk G, Keighery G, & Jackson J (2012) Common trees of the Goldfields (revised edition). WA Department of Environment and Conservation, Como WA. 72 pp. ISBN 9780730968610. [One of the *Bush Books* series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife]. Introductory pocket guide to common trees of the area. [NOT SEEN]

Smith N & Clark M (2014) Pilbara native plants for gardens and landscapes. Greening Australia (WA), Shenton Park WA. 312 pp. ISBN 9780646924731.

As the title implies this is a horticultural guide, and has virtually no descriptive text for the roughly 240 species covered, but it does have good to very good colour photos for each that make it a valuable adjunct to other identoification resources.

Tyler JP (1988) The Dampier Salt guide to Pilbara plants for the garden. Dampier Salt (Operations) Pty Ltd, Karratha, WA. 148 pp. ISBN 0731639871.

Covers about 100 species with brief descriptions and colour photos.

Wajon E (1999) Colour guide to Spring wildflowers of Western Australia: Part 1 – Kalbarri and the Goldfields. Wajon Publishing Company, 16 Eckersley Heights, Winthrop WA 6150, email wajonpub@wantree.com.au). 120 pp. ISBN 0646371185.

Guide to more than 220 species, fair- to very good colour photos (usually of the flowers only), with brief descriptions and notes.

Wajon E (2008) Colour guide to Spring wildflowers of Western Australia: Part 4 – Exmouth and the Pilbara. Wajon Publishing Company, 16 Eckersley Heights, Winthrop WA 6150, email wajonpub@wantree.com.au). 120 pp. ISBN 9780957781725.

Guide to more than 220 species, good colour photos with brief descriptions and notes.

Weakley L (1987) The Society for Growing Australian Plants guide to gardening in the dry tropics. Society for Growing Australian Plants, Townsville Branch, Townsville, Qld. 245 pp. ISBN 0909830347.

Not an identification guide, but a listing of some 400 native species of horticultural interest, with brief descriptions and some line drawings.

Wheaton T (ed.) (1994) Plants of the northern Australian rangelands. Northern Territory Department of Lands, Housing and Local Government, Darwin. 143 pp. ISBN 0724516352. Covers 140 toxic, weed, and fodder species, mainly forbs, grasses, and herbs, with some shrubs. Plain-language descriptions and good colour photos.

Wheeler JR et al. (eds) (1992) Flora of the Kimberley region. Western Australian Department of Conservation and Land Management Como, WA. 1327 pp. ISBN 0730952215.

Standard flora format, keys to families, genera and species, with descriptions at each level; good quality line drawings. Becoming rather dated, missing many recent species.

Wheeler J & Keighery G (1997) Wildflowers of Shark Bay. WA Department of Conservation and Land Management, Como WA. 72 pp. ISBN 073096860X. [One of the *Bush Books* series, now distributed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife].

Introductory pocket guide to a selection of about 30 the more common species of the area.

Wilkins C, Kern S, Rathbone D & Markey A (2011) Rare and poorly known flora of the Ravensthorpe Range and Bandalup Hill. Dept of Environment & Conservation, Perth WA. 166 pp. ISBN 9781921703119.

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