

OFFSHORE ISLANDS AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES

For Bass Strait islands, see under *Floras, field guides and handbooks – Tasmania*.

For Kangaroo Island, see under *Floras, field guides and handbooks – South Australia*.

For sub-Antarctic islands, see also under *Cryptogams – Mosses and Lichens*.

Flora of Australia series

(Various authors; AE Orchard, ed.) (1994) Flora of Australia. Volume 49. Oceanic Islands 1: Norfolk and Lord Howe Islands. Australian Government Publishing Service, Canberra. 681 pp. ISBN 0644293853 (9780644293853).

This volume covers the native and naturalised vascular plant flora of these two Pacific ocean Islands. Standard Flora treatments with nomenclature, keys, diagnostic descriptions, and brief notes, plus excellent line illustrations. RECOMMENDED, but be aware that some names have changed and a number of new species have been found – see later works.

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<https://www.environment.gov.au/science/abrs/publications/flora-of-australia/vol49>

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(Various authors; AS George *et al.*, eds) (1993) Flora of Australia. Volume 50. Oceanic Islands 2 - excluding Norfolk and Lord Howe Islands. Australian Government Publishing Service, Canberra. 681 pp. ISBN 0644293853.

This volume covers the native and naturalised vascular plant flora of Christmas Is., Cocos (Keeling) Is., Ashmore Reef and Cartier Is. (all in the Indian Ocean), the Coral Sea islands, and the sub-Antarctic Macquarie, Heard and McDonald Islands. Standard Flora treatments with nomenclature, keys, diagnostic descriptions, and brief notes, plus excellent line illustrations. RECOMMENDED but be aware that some names have changed and a number of new species have been found – see later works. **ELECTRONIC RESOURCE, ON-LINE:**

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Director of National Parks [undated – 2013?] Plants of Norfolk Island National Park and Botanic Garden. Australian Government. **ELECTRONIC RESOURCE, ON-LINE, free PDF:**

<https://www.environment.gov.au/system/files/resources/bed49f1f-1e63-4866-b6eb-18c68f5a05b7/files/plant-brochure.pdf>

A brochure with fair-quality thumbnail images and short notes on 29 of the Island's common, conspicuous, and noteworthy species.

Claussen J (2005) Native plants of Christmas Island. Flora of Australia Supplementary Series 22. Australian Biological Resources Study (ABRS). 152pp. ISBN 9780642568311.

Describes and illustrates with good colour photos 118 of the more common native species, with

information on flowering and fruiting times, and a useful 6-page colour guide to drift seeds.
RECOMMENDED.

Coleman N (2002) Lord Howe Island Marine Park – sea shore to sea floor. Neville Coleman's Underwater Geographic Pty Ltd, Springwood, Qld. 96 pp. ISBN 0947325271.

Chapters on the algae and seagrasses, with small colour photos and brief notes.

Coyne P (2011) Norfolk Island's fascinating flora. Petaurus Press (PO Box 3296 Belconnen ACT 2617, www.petaurus.com). 192 pp. ISBN 9780980652826.

Covers more than 200 species of native and introduced plants, with brief descriptive, distributional and historical notes and small, fair-quality colour photos.

Hutton I (1986) Lord Howe Island. Conservation Press, Canberra. 157 pp. ISBN 090819840X. Natural history handbook for the Island, covering plants and animals. Some good colour photos and good line drawings of plants, but dated and less useful as a field guide than Hutton (2010 - see next).

Hutton I (2010) A field guide to the plants of Lord Howe Island. Self-publ., Ian Hutton, PO Box 157, Lord Howe Island NSW 2898. 135 pp. ISBN 0958128618.

Excellent pocket-sized field guide, treating 113 of the Island's 243 species, including most of the endemic and conspicuous native taxa. Includes a simple key starting with plant form, good colour photos, and plain-English descriptions. RECOMMENDED

Hutton I (2010?) A Field Guide to the Ferns of Lord Howe Island. Self-publ., Ian Hutton, PO Box 157, Lord Howe Island NSW 2898. ISBN 0958128677.

[NOT SEEN]

Kantvilas G & Seppelt RD [1992, undated] The lichen flora of Macquarie Island: introduction and an annotated checklist of species. ANARE Research Notes 87. Antarctic Division, [Commonwealth] Dept of the Arts, Sport, the Environment & Territories, Canberra. 20 pp. [ISBN 0642182612].

Not an identification guide as such, but like all checklists it narrows the search.

Mills K (2009) The vegetation of Phillip Island, Norfolk Island Group. (Report under Envirofund 2007/08). Kevin Mills & Associates, Jamberoo NSW; email kevinmillskma@gmail.com. 179 pp., incl. appendices. [ISBN lacking].

A report on the surviving vegetation of Phillip Island, with a checklist of all species, and profiles of the threatened taxa. See also Mills (2007 Part 6, below).

ELECTRONIC RESOURCE, ON-LINE: free PDF: <http://www.econorfolk.nf/pdf/Kevin%20Mills%20Report%20Body.pdf>. This site contains only the main text of the report (pp. i—71), and unfortunately excludes the six Appendices (checklists of species past and extant, threatened species locations, profiles of significant weeds). Contact the author for these.

Mills K (2007-2013) The Flora of Norfolk Island series. Kevin Mills & Associates, Jamberoo

NSW; email kevinmillskma@gmail.com. **ELECTRONIC RESOURCE, CD/USB only:**

Not primarily an identification resource, but able to function as one for many species (mainly via the checklists and photos), this is a series of 18 mixed survey reports and descriptive chapters on the vegetation types and plant species of Norfolk, Phillip and Nepean Islands. The series is available in whole or in Parts (all part titles are prefixed “The Flora of Norfolk Island”):

- (2007) 1. *The Indigenous Flora*.
- (2007) 2. *Epiphytes and Mistletoes*.
- (2007) 3. *The Coastal Species*.
- (2007) 4. *The Naturalised Species*.
- (2007) 5. *Field Survey of the Norfolk Island Endemic Shrub Euphorbia norfolkiana (Euphorbiaceae)*.
- (2007) 6. *Preliminary Vegetation Survey of Phillip Island*.
- (2007) 7. *Endemic and Threatened Species*.
- (2007) 8. *Indigenous Plant Species Recorded in Public Reserves on Norfolk Island*.
- (2009) 9. *The Vegetation of Nepean Island (incl. Errata and Addenda for Papers 1 to 8)*.
- (2010) 10. *A Complete List of Indigenous and Naturalised Species for the Island Group*.
- (2010) 11. *Field Survey and Assessment of the Critically Endangered Endemic Plant Wikstroemia australis (Kurrajong)*.
- (2011) 12. *The Plants of Norfolk Island and the Kermadec Islands: Similarities and Differences*.
- (2012) 13. *A Photographic Guide to the Seedlings and Saplings of Woody Plants in Norfolk Island National Park*.
- (2012) 14. *The Endangered Plants in the National Park: Field Survey and Review*.
- (2012) 15. *Plants of the Norfolk Island Botanic Garden: Survey and Assessment*.
- (2012) 16. *The Wetland Plants*.
- (2013) 17. *The Plants of Norfolk Island: A Bibliography*.
- (2013) 18. *The Fern Flora*.

Pike GD & Leach GJ (1997) Handbook of the vascular plants of Ashmore and Cartier Islands. Parks & Wildlife Commission of the Northern Territory, Darwin, and Parks Australia, Canberra. 156 pp. ISBN 0724527591.

Outlines of climate and vegetation types on these Indian Ocean islands, then species grouped by life form. Easy descriptions and good line drawings.

Seppelt R (2004) The moss flora of Macquarie Island. Australian Antarctic Division, Kingston, Tas. 317 pp. ISBN 1876934077.

Keys, descriptions, and good line illustrations of the 845 species of moss on this sub-Antarctic Island.

Streimann H (2002) The mosses of Norfolk Island. Australian Biological Resources Study, Canberra. (Flora of Australia, supplementary series no. 16). 178 pp. ISBN 0642568219.

Covers the island's 69 known species, with moderately technical keys to genus and species,

technical descriptions, excellent line drawings, and a few colour photos.

RECOMMENDED

Sykes WR & Atkinson IAE (1988) Rare and endangered plants of Norfolk Island. Botany Division, DSIRR, New Zealand. 20 pp. [No ISBN].

Now well-dated, but some species information still valid. Minimalist descriptions, no illustrations.