POMADERRIS
ARTICLE FEATURED

Congratulations to Dave Taylor, Lydia Guja, Sebastian Lang, Alexander Schmidt-Lebuhn and Rosella Hampshire on the publication of their article Pomaderris – A genus of significance in the September edition of Hort Journal.

The article is a fascinating read about Pomaderris and the ANBG’s Pomaderris Garden.

GLOBAL STRATEGY FOR PLANT CONSERVATION

Damian Wrigley from the Australian Seed Bank Partnership has represented Australia at the recent Global Partnership for Plant Conservation Conference and Liaison Group meeting held at Kirstenbosch National Botanic Gardens in Cape Town, South Africa.

The informative publication A Guide to the GSPC: all the targets, objectives and facts provides an insight into the plant conservation work that is being undertaken around Australia and globally. The guide can be accessed online.

BLACK MOUNTAIN SYMPOSIUM PAPERS AVAILABLE

On 24 August, the Black Mountain Symposium 2018: the past 50 years informing the next 50 was held at CSIRO Discovery Centre.

The sold out event covered two main themes of the natural and cultural environments. Natural environment themes included: diversity and ecology of plants, mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates and fire ecology.

Cultural themes included: colonial and national uses; a place of protest, recreation, education and scientific endeavour.

The complete collection of papers presented at the symposium are now available online for free as full text pdfs via the Friends of Black Mountain website or in printed form in the Library. The papers offer an opportunity to revisit the excellent presentations delivered at the symposium.

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Black Mountain taken from Mt Painter Nature Reserve, ACT. Photo M. Fagg APII DIG.49383

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A SELECTION OF NEW BOOKS

**Australian Rainforest Fruits: a field guide**/ Wendy Cooper & William Cooper.
581.6320994 COO

This beautifully illustrated field guide covers 504 of the most common fruiting plants found in Australia’s eastern rainforests, as well as a few species that are rare in the wild but generally well-known. These spectacular plants can be seen from Cape York to Victoria, with some species also found in the Northern Territory, Western Australia and overseas. *Australian Rainforest Fruits* includes stunning artwork by Australia's leading natural history artist, William T Cooper.

**Grand Melbourne Gardens**/ David Wilkinson & Kimbal Baker
ISBN: 9780500501146
712.6099451 WIL

A celebration of gardens new and old, small-scale and enormous – all grand in their horticultural ambitions and inspiration.

Gardens have always occupied a special place in Melbourne’s communal heart. The city is known for its vast, meandering Botanic Gardens and generous green city spaces. It is also known for its tree-lined streets, which give tantalising glimpses of beautiful houses behind high fences. This book takes us behind these fences and into the very heart of these oh-so-private gardens.

**Plant Systematics**/ Michael G. Simpson
580.12 SIM

*Plant Systematics, Second Edition*, provides the basis for teaching an introduction to the morphology, evolution, and classification of land plants.

It presents a foundation of the approach, methods, research goals, evidence, and terminology of plant systematics, along with the most recent knowledge of evolutionary relationships of plants and practical information vital to the field. This updated edition has been expanded to include 15 fern families, 9 gymnosperm families, and increased angiosperm family treatments from 100 to 129. Each family description includes a plate of full colour photographs, illustrating exemplars of the group along with dissected and labelled material to show diagnostic features.

**Seeds on ice: Svalbard and the global seed vault**/ Cary Fowler
ISBN: 9781921953293
704.639915 NEA

*Seeds on Ice*, which tells the story of how Svalbard came to be, who helped build it, and how it serves the world, is an enlightening read. It is also wonderfully photographed by Mari Tefre, who documented the construction of Svalbard for the Global Crop Diversity Trust, and Jim Richardson, noted National Geographic photographer. In many ways the book is also a love letter from Fowler—the man at the centre of Svalbard's creation—to the many people from Norway, and elsewhere, who made the Global Seed Vault possible.
The secret network of nature / Peter Wohlleben
577 WOH

The natural world is a web of intricate connections, many of which go unnoticed by humans. But it is these connections that maintain nature’s finely balanced equilibrium.

Drawing on the latest scientific discoveries and decades of experience as a forester and bestselling author, Peter Wohlleben shows us how different animals, plants, rivers, rocks and weather systems cooperate, and what’s at stake when these delicate systems are unbalanced.

Discovering wildflowers: a little Australian gift book / Steve Parish
ISBN: 1876282835
582.130994 PAR

Australia’s distinctive wildflowers are beautifully photographed in this publication by well-known photographer Steve Parish.

A variety of wildflowers are included such as Yellow Cowslip Orchid, Wattle and the Cape York Lily. A full index of flowers pictured is included in the back of the publication.

Wildflowers of the Stirling Range / Bruce Fuhrer & Neville Marchant
ISBN: 0959807497
582.13099412 FUH

This classic guide to the wildflowers of the Stirling Range includes vibrant colour photographs and short descriptions of a sampling of wildflowers from the region. Helpful information about the flowering season is also included.

The Glove Box Guide to growth, flowering and seeding of plants of the NSW Rangelands / Peter L. Milthorpe & Margaret J. Wynne
Orange, NSW; NSW Agriculture. 2001. ISBN: 0734712871
581.99449 MIL

A major reference work, Plants of Western NSW, was published in 1981 and has proved to be of enduring value to pastoralists and many others with an interest in the management of semi-arid and arid rangelands.

This guide provides the common name, scientific name, family name, description, flowering information, habitat, distribution, native plant status (indicated by a small map of Australia), palatability to stock, further important information for landholders/managers, and a full-colour photograph for each plant to assist in its identification.
FEATURED E-JOURNAL: Conservation & Society

Conservation & Society is an interdisciplinary journal exploring linkages between society, the environment and development.

This peer-reviewed journal aims to advance the theory and practice of conservation. Covering both natural and social sciences the journal covers a broad range of research areas.

The journal is of interest to a wide audience including academics, researchers, policy makers, teachers and naturalists.

Published quarterly, Conservation & Society is open access meaning that all articles are available at no cost online in a variety of formats including html, pdf, mobile, ePUB and eBook formats.

FROM THE ANBG ARCHIVE: Australian Botanic Gardens Stamp pack

Australian native plants and Australia’s botanic gardens feature regularly on Australian postage stamps. This month’s archive treasure is the Australian Botanic Gardens II stamp pack released in 2013.


The description of the ANBG from the stamp pack reads: “The Australian National Botanic Gardens in Canberra maintains a scientific collection of native plants, some 6,200 species which represent around a third of Australia’s native plants from all parts of the country, and also cultivates plants threatened in the wild.”

Photographed by Simon Griffiths, the ANBG stamp features Eucalyptus mannifera.

A listing and images of Australian postage stamps featuring Australian native plants can be viewed via the ANBG website.