

12. Continue along the road above the Rock Garden to see on your right ***Grevillea sericea subsp. sericea***, an airy bush with light green foliage and white spider flowers (photo below left). This plant occurs naturally west of Sydney.



13. Turn left up the hill towards the Red Centre Garden to see on your right ***Acacia parvipinnula***, or Silver Stemmed Wattle, a tree of dark green, ferny foliage and pale yellow, scented balls of flower. This wattle is native to central eastern New South Wales

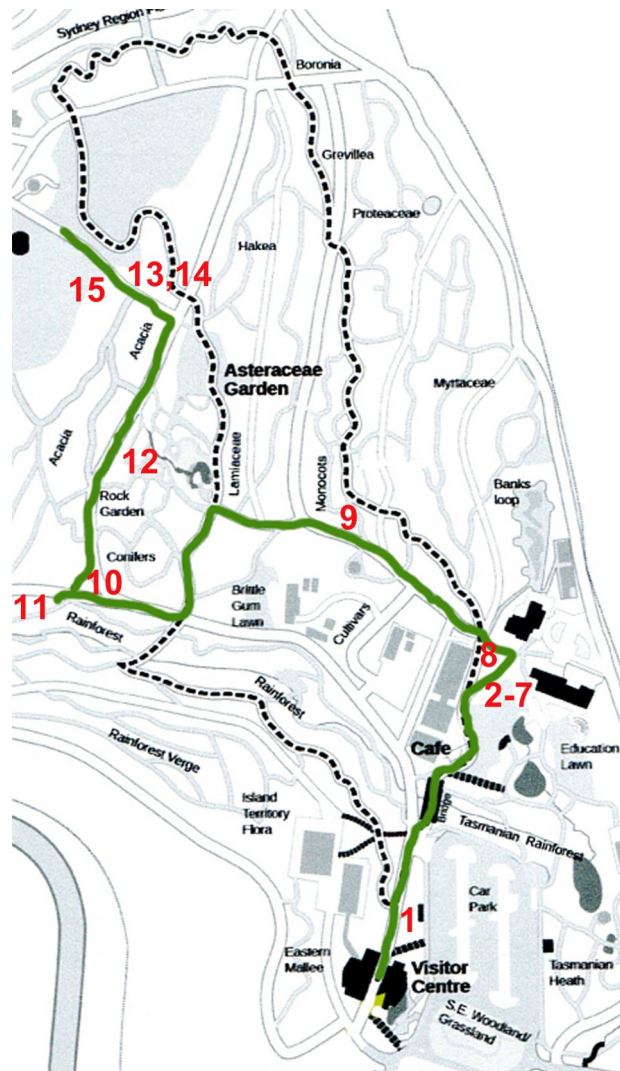
14. Also on your right is ***Acacia ulicifolia***, or Prickly Moses, with many pale yellow to white balls of flower on fine, dark green, prickly foliage (photo below left). This wattle grows along the eastern part of Australia from Queensland to Tasmania.



15. On your left is ***Acacia oshanesii***, a wattle native to coastal New South Wales and Queensland (photo above right). This tree has fine, dark-green divided foliage with a few fluffy yellow ball flowers.



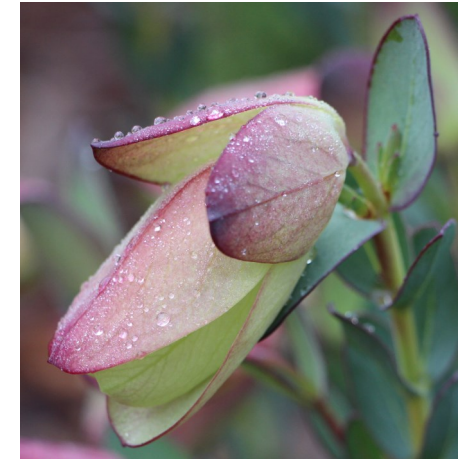
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Today we will walk up the hill to see some early wattles in flower



1. After you leave the Visitor Centre look to your right to see, both in a pot and in the ground, ***Pimelea physodes***, or Qualup Bell, with grey-green foliage close to reddish stems and pendant green bracts enclosing the small flower with dark red outer bracts (photo above). This plant is found in southwestern Western Australia and is considered to be the most beautiful of the genus.

2. Continue across the bridge and past the café to see on your right, in a pot, ***Pandorea sp. Mt. Maroon***, a small trailing plant with cream bells with maroon centres and markings (photo next page top left). This plant is native to southeastern Queensland.



3. Bear right down the path to see on your right ***Grevillea 'Robyn Gordon'*** with deeply divided green foliage and red/pink flowers (photo above right). This plant is very popular and has been planted widely in Australia and other countries. It is a chance hybrid from the garden of the late David Gordon of Myall Park, Glenmorgan, Queensland and named after his daughter.



4. On your left is ***Crowea saligna 'Rosy Glow'*** a small neat bush with pink star flowers (photo above).



5. Further on your right is ***Corymbia ficifolia 'Dwarf Orange'***, a small tree, with dark green foliage with attractive red new growth (photo above). This grafted gum, originally from Western Australia, is one of the most spectacular when in full flower.

6. On your left is ***Alyogyne 'West Coast Gem'*** with a few clear purple 'hibiscus' style flowers which open for a short period only, but are prolific (photo below). The bush is medium sized with coarse green foliage.



7. On your right is ***Correa 'Snowbelle'***, a small spreading shrub with grey-green foliage and white bell-shaped flowers with upturned petals bred by Peter Ollerenshaw, Bywong Nursery (photo below).



8. Turn up to your left to see on your left, ***Phebalium verrucosum***, (syn. ***Phebalium squamulosum subsp. verrucosum***), a small shrub with masses of white heads of flowers (photo below). This plant is native to northeastern New South Wales



9. Turn sharp left up the hill to see on your right ***Eremophila maculata subsp. maculata***, a small bush with light green foliage and yellow tubular flowers (photo below). This plant is found in the drier inland areas of all mainland states of Australia.



10. Continue up the hill, then left on Main Path and right on road to see on your right ***Epacris calvertiana var. calvertiana***, with cream bells on dark green foliage (photo below). This small shrub is native to coastal New South Wales.



11. On your left, somewhat hidden, is ***Banksia aquilonia***, a tree to 8 metres tall, with long green leaves and tan young flowers which develop into pale yellow brushes (photo below). This plant is native to northern coastal Queensland.

