

Florabunda Bushcare News



Plant of the Month



Endiandra compressa

White Bark

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Category: Med/Large tree

Description: The name refers to the laterally compressed but otherwise globular fruit. Bark is light grey to white with raised horizontal lines and green vertical bands. The trunk is sometimes buttressed on larger trees. Medium to large tree growing to 30 metres. Leaves are glossy, alternate, simple, elliptical 8-18 cm. Flowers are cream and appear in panicles in spring. Fruit is bluish/black drupe to 5cm with a juicy outer pulp and 1 seed

Growing conditions: Grows in lowland rainforest between Kenilworth and Imbil.

Uses: Rainforest species, Bird attracting (pigeons). **IN STOCK NOW!**

Nursery News

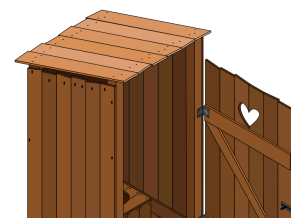
Everything is looking great in the nursery and there is an updated species list for November on the website. Just add rain. Thank you to everyone for your support for the nursery throughout the year, volunteers, committee, members and customers. The Christmas Party is noted in the newsletter and everyone is most welcome to attend. Love to see you there. Best wishes for a great Christmas, Suzie Pearce.

Seeds Its is always great to receive a variety of seed from across the catchment and we welcome any seeds you can bring in to us. If you are unsure of when to pick I am happy to advise on any details, so please ring me. If you can bring seeds in please also bring a small piece of the plants for ID. Seeding at the moment; Diploglottis australis, Dianella spp., Hardenbergia violacea, Macaranga tanarius (over xmas), Syzygium luehmanii, Endiandra spp. Crptocarya spp., Hibiscus sp., Crinum pedunculatum. Thank you to everyone who has bought in seed this year, it really does help us out and assists getting out a mixture of genes.

Sunshine Coast Council has graciously approved a grant for \$5500.00 to go towards the building of a composting toilet and amenities building. This is very exciting news after many attempts at obtaining some funding for a toilet. Obviously not the most glamorous of projects but one desperately needed to finish off the building of the new site. We thank them for their consideration of this project and their approval.

I would also like to thank Ian Blandford for getting the project to this point and offering to project manage the building for his approved composting toilet design. Below is a list of materials we will be requiring for the building, if anybody has any of these items laying around available for donation we would love to hear from you. Ph: 54421339 email: florabundabushcare@bigpond.com

- 100 x 50 mm hardwood lengths 3 metres x 20
- 820 x 2040 mm external door or steel frame corrugated door
- 900 x 900 or 900 x 1200 mm window and/or louvres



- Besser blocks
 - 200 x 400 blocks x 150
 - 200 x 200 blocks x 20
 - 200 x 400 lintel x 6
 - 200 x 400 H block x 60
 - 200 x 400 (1/2 h) 4 standard x 4

• **Please Note: Florabunda Bushcare Nursery will be closed from Dec 24th 2013 until 13th January 2014**