

# 2024 PLANT SURVEY PROGRAMME

*A Wildflower Society of Western Australia (Inc.) project*



Welcome to the Wildflower Society of Western Australia's 2024 Plant Survey Programme (WSWAPSP). This letter outlines the programme for 2024 and invites your participation. If you know others who may be interested in the programme feel free to pass a copy onto them.

The Wildflower Society, through the Society's Plant Survey Programme, has been contributing to flora and vegetation studies since 1988. Each year the WSWAPSP Committee, a subcommittee of the Management Committee of the Society, puts the programme together. Many of our surveys have no direct funding, coordination being funded through our workshop program and contract surveys. If you, or someone you know, who is interested in commissioning a survey in the future please contact us by email ([plantsurvey@wildflowersocietywa.org.au](mailto:plantsurvey@wildflowersocietywa.org.au)), or telephone (0439978550).

This year we are carrying out the following surveys:

- A two day survey in the Julimar Conservation Park
- A weekend survey at a private property in the Shire of Nannup
- A one day survey at Fynes Road Nature Reserve, Shire of Mindarra
- Plant ID Workshop with the Wildflower Society Murdoch Branch

## **FIELD SURVEY and HERBARIUM SESSIONS**

**PLEASE SEE INFORMATION BELOW AND RETURN ATTACHED BOOKING FORM BY SUNDAY 28TH JULY**

### **1. Julimar Conservation Park (proposed, after 30 years still State Forest)**

This ongoing survey will assist with documenting the vegetation and flora values to support higher conservation ranking for the Park (i.e. National Park status). The survey is funded by the Society's Mary Bremner Bequest and has been running since 2022 and will conclude in 2025.

**Location:** 100 km NE of Perth (~1 hour travel distance)

**Date:** Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September

**Time:** 9:00am - 4:00pm

**Accommodation:** As Julimar Conservation Park is close to Toodyay (30 km), view the shire website for accommodation options: [www.toodyay.wa.gov.au/visit-toodyay/accommodation](http://www.toodyay.wa.gov.au/visit-toodyay/accommodation), and [www.orchardglory.com.au](http://www.orchardglory.com.au).

**Project leaders:** Bronwen Keighery and Jolanda Keeble

**Herbarium session:** Wednesdays weekly from 6 November 10:00am - 3:00pm

## 2. Fynes Road Nature Reserve

The Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions requested the Wildflower Society to survey a nature reserve on the Red Gully System. As we have been here in 2013, we will be revisiting this area this year.

**Location:** Approx. 130 km north of Perth

**Date:** Saturday 14 September

**Time:** 9:00 am - 4:00pm

**Project Leaders:** Bronwen Keighery and Jolanda Keeble

**Accommodation:** N/A

**Herbarium session:** Wednesdays weekly from 13 November 2024 10:00am - 3:00pm

## 3. Shire of Nannup

This coastal private property is located near the southern boundary of the Shire of Nannup.

**Location:** Approximately 300 km south of Perth. This survey takes us back to our days of self-sufficiency when we camped in and alongside farmer's shearing sheds and local halls. Facilities are very limited. Work will centre on the property's tracks and some walking will be involved.

**Date:** Arrive Friday 25, leave Monday 28 October.

**Time:** 9:00am - 4:00pm (survey on Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 October).

**Project Leaders:** Bronwen Keighery and Jolanda Keeble

**Accommodation:** BYO Camping or campervan. Basic facilities available only.

**Herbarium session:** Wednesdays weekly from 8 January 2025 10:00am - 3:00pm

## 4. Plant ID Workshop

Would you like to learn how to tell one native plant from another? Join the Wildflower Society Murdoch Branch for this basic plant identification workshop to learn how.

**Location:** The Wetlands Centre, Cockburn (184 Hope Road Bibra Lake)

**Date:** Saturday 24 August

**Time:** 2:00pm - 5:00pm

**Cost:** TBA

Check the Murdoch Branch website in July for further information.

## HERBARIUM SESSIONS

### Survey Related Sessions

Initial plant identification sessions for each survey begin on the dates mentioned above. These sessions involve sorting, and identification of quadrat vouchers, data entry and specimen labelling and mounting. All herbarium sessions will be conducted in the Reference Herbarium of the WA State Herbarium. We strongly encourage those who participate in the field surveys to try and make time to help process the vouchers.

### The Wednesday Herbarium Group

A group of survey volunteers meet regularly on Wednesday at the WA Herbarium to complete identifications from the survey sessions. Volunteers are at the Reference Herbarium from 10.30 am - 4.00 pm on Wednesdays throughout the year. Anyone is welcome to come. We provide informal training in plant identification for volunteers as required.

## DBCA VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

Since the early 1990s we have been registered as a DBCA Community Involvement Programme. This means we are covered by insurance and eligible for volunteer rewards. **IF YOU HAVE NOT PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED OR IF YOUR DETAILS HAVE CHANGED** please fill in the enclosed form (DBCA form 205) and return it with your application form. **One DBCA form is required per person.**

### **Wildflower Society Membership**

We strongly encourage all people who regularly participate in the Bushland Plant Surveys be members of the Wildflower Society of WA. The many benefits include a discounted flora licence (you apply and pay), newsletter, and notification of the talks, excursions workshops and training sessions across the many branches.

### **REGISTRATION OF INTEREST**

Numbers are limited and places are allocated on a first come, first served basis.

To register your interest in Field and Herbarium Sessions:

Please complete the relevant enclosed application form and the DBCA registration form if required (see above). **Return by Sunday 28 July 2024** by email to [plant.survey@wildflowersocietywa.org.au](mailto:plant.survey@wildflowersocietywa.org.au).

You will be notified of the sessions for which you have been successfully registered, including detailed arrangements for the surveys.

Cheers

Jolanda Keeble, Bronwen Keighery and the Plant Survey Programme Committee  
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Wildflower Society of WA