

# No 138 Winter 2023



# Welcome

## What's On





Free the Bears



#### Carnaby Feeding Garden

These magnificent birds are on

the endangered list, and loosing

habitat for food and nesting. We

can do our bit by planting a garden that provides a source of

#### Welcome to Winter

time of the year, but not in the where Zanthorrea donated to plant for a spring flower show. There has been a lot going on this autumn, including the press release launch of the Keep Carnaby's Flying project and a busy Perth Garden and Outdoor Living Festival. At Zanthorrea we https://freethebears.org/ have also been busy growing new plants for winter planting. We hope you enjoy the colours and smells of the winter gardens like we do.

Happy Gardening,

Ross, Jackie, Alec and the team at Zanthorrea.

Recently the Free the Bears Winter can be a dark and gloomy charity ran a Quiz night fundraiser garden! The rains bring the raffle prize. They raised an garden to life, enhancing colours impressive \$12,500 on the night! and smells. It is also a great time Free the Bears has helped rescue over 950 bears of the world's most vulnerable bear species (sun bears, moon bears and sloth bears), if you want to find out more about this organisation, please head over to their website:

food and water. Join Ross to learn more about a black cockatoo habitat garden. 10am Saturday 8th of July Gold Coin Donation

RSVP: 08 9454 6260

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Another initiative to raise funds for this organisation is a portion of the royalties from purchasing a Grevillea 'Woolly Bear Hero' will go to the Free The Bears organisation. We have a large batch of these beautiful grevilleas ready to be planted in the garden.



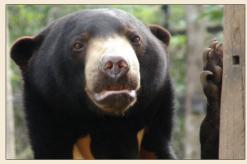
Australian edible gardens are growing in popularity and there are now many more species available to choose from. Join Janine to learn about these tasty bush tucker plants and their uses. 10am Saturday 26th of August.

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## Welcome Ffion and Ciara

Earlier this year we welcomed Ffion and Ciara to our team. They have both finished a trade certificate of Horticulture, and bring with them an enthusiasm for our Australian native plants and nature.





# Bush Telegraph No 138 Exploring the World of Waxes



Geraldton known as growing medium to large shrub and even botanical gin. that thrives in various welldrained soil types. Endemic to Western Australia, this plant captivates with its attractive, waxy aromatic flowers. showcasing a breathtaking range of colours that span from pure white to vibrant pinks and purples. Their late winter and early spring flowers serve as a valuable source of nectar attracting a diverse array of beneficial insects, Chamelaucium and lacewings.

Bevond its Geraldton are renowned for their impressive early spring season. longevity, making them perfect for both floral arrangements and decorative purposes.

For gardening enthusiasts, the waxes are a cherished addition to the landscape.



varieties of Geraldton Wax are flowers often admired for their ornamental centres.

qualities, this bush food herb stands out with its Yamatji name representing its home region and its vibrant citrus flavour. Jambinu Zest. considered finest the culinary Geraldton Wax worldwide. edible features needle-like leaves and waxy flowers that resemble the taste of scientifically Lemon Myrtle. It adds a tangy and Chamelaucium uniquely Australian character to Chamelaucium Jubilee Red:



My including bees, butterflies, wasps, Sixteen PBR: Standing at a height of 2m and spreading 1.5m visual allure, wide, this remarkable variety possesses boasts pure white waxy funnel- Chamelaucium intriguing botanical qualities. Its shaped flowers that transition into This is a hybrid of uncinatum and edible leaves emit a refreshing a stunning rich-red hue, creating megalopetalum and will have zesty citrus flavour when crushed. a captivating bi-coloured effect of large showy pink flowers in late Moreover, the flowers of this plant white-pink-red blooms during the winter to spring. Supermum



Chamelaucium Local PBR: Bred by Kings Park and Botanic Gardens, this springflowering wax plant dazzles with Chantilly Lace: with deep



uncinatum, is a beloved and fast- sauces, stocks, cakes, cocktails, The Jubillee Red wax flower starts out a lighter pink and ages to a beautiful darker red colour. They have a nice dense habit to 1.5m high, and can be used for some light informal screening.



Supermum: grows in a sunny well drained position, or in a decent sized pot. Grows to 1.5m high and 1m wide. Will benefit from an early autumn tip prune before buds develop.



its glossy red buds, which give flowering wax has a unique frilly Jambinu Zest: While commercial way to an abundance of rose-pink edge and a lime green centre to maroon the flowers. Growing to 2m high by 1.5m wide. - Clare

# Australian Plants in Focus



#### Ngoolarks Forever

On the 5th of May, Zanthorrea was proud to be host to the press release launch of the Keep Carnaby's Flying project. A project that aims to protect the Carnaby's Black Cockatoo and help the species with research, Hakea laurina education and encouraging the The Pincushion Hakea is a firm website:

research/hbi/carnabys



The wonderful people involved in the Ngoolarks Forever, Keep Carnaby's Flying press release.

One of the things we can do to help out these magnificent birds is to plant a garden full of species Hakea orthorrhyncha that they can forage and roost in. One of the most eye-catching These include species of displays, is that of the Bird-beak **Epacris impressa** corymbia, eucalyptus, hakea and hakea. The bright red, bird Talk about impressive, this little plants Cockatoos prefer.

#### **Stunning Hakeas**

This diverse genus of plants are quite unique with hard woody seed pods and bright flowers that burst open autumn to spring. They are in the proteaceae family, which means they are sensitive to excessive phosphorus in the soil, so be sure to use a safe native fertiliser.



public to plants habitat gardens. If favourite of us at Zanthorrea. This you want to learn more visit their reliable, WA native is a show https:// stopper when in flower. The www.murdoch.edu.au/ unusual pincushion flowers feed the birds in winter and the fruit is a great source of food for the black cockatoos. screening plant or individual The firewood banksia is a special specimen, it's sure to be a local plant to Perth, available as a favourite in any garden.



display.

#### **More Winter Stunners**



#### Adenanthos obovatus

Commonly called the basket flower or jug flower, this WA native is very attractive to little honey eater birds. The unusual flowers open from winter to late spring. Grows in a sandy or gravelly soil and can take winter wet depressions.



#### useful Banksia menziesii

tall 6m tree or a bushy 2m dwarf form. They are also a black cockatoo feeding station!



grevillea to name a few. For more attracting flowers, appear in plant makes a big show of flowers information pop into the nursery heavy clusters, covering the old in winter. It has a prickly foliage, for an info sheet or chat about wood and stems of this large growing to about 1.2m high. the Carnaby's shrub and creates a vibrant Grows best in a free draining soil in dappled or afternoon shade.



# Gift and Garden



#### On the Brink Collection by Pamela Pauline

Beautiful cups with artwork by Pamela Pauline, focusing on the We have a new range of durable island continent. \$16.95 each.



#### Warm up with a Beanie!

Cold wintery nights are no problem with a warm beanie. We have many different styles to Looking for something to do come up and flower, albeit with choose from. Starting at \$29.95.



Colourful Gardening Gloves

We have a range of gardening gloves for all sizes of hands in a of styles. Especially variety

Gloves with lady bird pattern at attractive piece to hang in a \$19.95 a pair.



#### **Sloggers Garden Boots**

unique flora and fauna of this Sloggers garden boots now in stock. These are great boots to splash around in the winter rain and mud! From \$75.



## **Puzzles by Ashdene**

have some beautiful puzzles of For the easiest sowing, mix a 10g our Australian birdlife. \$29.95.



**Glass Hanging Terrarium** 

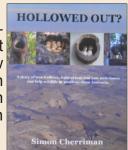
Challenge yourself with a creative hanging gardening project. These Glass Terrariums can be filled collection! Wow!

popular is the FunJobs Garden with small plants and make an protected alfresco area.

## Hollowed Out By Simon

Cherriman

A story of treehollows, habitat loss and how nest-boxes can help wildlife in south-western Australia, \$45.





### **Everlasting Seeds**

There is still time to plant everlasting seeds for spring. In fact Jackie has planted them as late as August and still has them indoors on those raining days, we slightly shorter flowering stems. From packet with 25L of Soil Improver and rack over cleared ground. Covers up to 10 sq metres.



A special shout-out to Gary and his collection of Quokkas! Thanks for sending in the photo of your





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