RAINFOREST / FOREST TREES Rusty plum Niemeyera whitei

Key features: Leaves paler beneath. Shoots / stems exude white milky sap if cut. New shoots have rusty hairs.

What is it? Small to medium-sized tree to 20m. Fluted trunk.

Leaves: Alternate, 5-15cm long, 2-5cm wide. Paler beneath. Firm texture. 15-20 pairs of secondary veins, curved.

Flowers: Creamy green, in clusters of 4-15. Spring.

Fruit: Plum-like, red turning purple-black, 2-5cm diameter. Shiny seed inside.









How rare? Listed as vulnerable on TSC Act.

Where is it? Rainforest and adjacent eucalypt forest. Known from Yarriabini NP area, Ngambaa NR, Jaaningga NR, Dunggir NP.

Where can I see one? Sherwood NR, Woolgoolga picnic area: Common along the 1st 100m of powerline trail. Ulidarra NP, Swans Rd: All known rusty plums near road marked with blue peg in ground.

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RAINFOREST / FOREST TREES Red boppel nut Hicksbechia pinnatifolia

Key features: Multi-stemmed. Long toothed and heavily lobed leaves.

Flowers and fruits form in the same way as macadamias.

What is it? Small tree to 10m, often with unbranched stems arising from rootstock.

Leaves: Leathery, toothed, 40-100cm long, branching into many leaflets / lobes. Winged

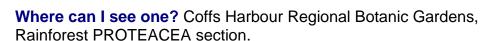
central spine.

Flowers: A 15-35cm long flower spike contains many small spidery flowers – purplish brown in colour.

Fruit: Bright red fleshy (but hard) fruits 2-4cm long. Summer.

How rare? Listed as Vulnerable on TSC Act.

Where is it? Subtropical rainforest, wet eucalypt forest. Known from area around Ganay NR



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What is it? Tree, 6-15m tall. Densely hairy branchlets. Red-brown fissured bark. Rounded phyllodes (the small leaflets).

Leaves: Wattlelike. Feathery. Dark above, pale below.

Hairy.



Flowers: Round, yellow flower heads. July-August.

Fruit: Straightslightly curved, 3-10cm long, 4-6mm wide. Black-





brown. Long dense hairs.

How rare? Listed as Endangered on TSC Act.

Where is it? Understorey of rainforest edges and wet or dry eucalypt forest. Known from Jaaningga NR.

Where can I see one? Coffs Harbour Regional Botanic Gardens, north coast rare plants section. Common on Basin Rd (off Martells Rd)

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RAINFOREST / FOREST TREES Rainforest cassia Senna acclinis

Key features: Longer leaves and leaflets more drawn out than Senna pendula var. glabrata.

What is it? Shrub to 3m tall.

Leaves: Compound leaves to 15cm long (S.pendula 4-8cm), each with 5-7 pairs of oval-shaped leaflets at 15mm intervals (S.pendula

more rounded). 1-4 glands between lowest leaflets (*S.pendula* 1 only)

Flowers: Bright yellow, cupshaped, in groups of 2-5 on a short stalk, on underside of branchlets.

Fruit: Long narrow pod, 12-15cm long, 6-8mm wide, mostly flat.

How rare? Listed as endangered on TSC Act.

Where is it? In or on the edge of subtropical and dry rainforest. Known from Ngambaa NR.





Where can I see one? Woolgoolga Creek (Sherwood NR): to the left of the main gate behind toilet, ~2m from track. AND go to picnic table closest to creekbank, then walk 10-15m west towards big fallen tree. Also Coffs Harbour Botanic Gardens North Coast rare plants section.

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FOREST TREES Scant pomaderris

Pomaderris queenslandica

Key features: Shrub. Leaves woolly underneath. Whitish stems.

What is it? Shrub, 2-3m tall. Whitish stems with tiny starshaped hair clusters

Leaves: Shiny above, woolly underneath, 2.5-7cm long, 10-25mm wide.

Flowers: Small creamy yellow. Spring-summer



Fruit: Capsule with long white-silvery hairs

How rare? Listed as Endangered on TSC Act.

Where is it? Moist eucalypt forest, sheltered woodlands with a shrubby understorey, along creeks. Known from Ngambaa NR from Greenhills Rd north of Western Range Rd.

Where can I see one? See above



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