

Where can I collect native plant materials?

Generally, collection of native plant material from National Parks and Wildlife reserves is not permitted. If, however, you hold a valid permit for these areas, please notify the District Office for that reserve every time a collection will take place.

Following is a summary of the species that can be collected, and the land tenures on which collection is permitted for each permit type.

<i>Category</i>	<i>Species that can be collected</i>	<i>Land tenures on which collection is permitted¹</i>
Bush food collection	Species not listed in the NPW Act Schedules 7, 8, 9 and not listed in the EPBC Act. Generally restricted to collection of regionally common or uncommon species as determined by Florlist ² .	Roadside, forestry land, council reserves and coastal reserves. Collection not permitted from NPW Reserves.
Trees for Life (TFL) collection	Limited to TFL Permits. Only able to collect those species indicated on the TFL 'wish list', as determined annually by DENR and Trees for Life.	Roadside, forestry land, council reserve, coast reserve. Generally, not permitted to collect from NPW Reserves, however, some exception may be made where seed and fruit will be revegetated back to the reserve.
Individual/ community group/commercial/ botanic garden collection	Any or all species listed on pre-assessed herbarium region lists up to the pre-determined quantity. Applicants wishing to collect additional species will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.	Roadside, forestry land, council reserve, coastal reserve. Permission may be granted to collect on NPW Reserves if it can be shown there is no other source of plant material available.

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'Class A' collection	All species excluding those listed in schedules 7, 8, 9 of the NPW Act, listed as threatened species / ecological communities in the EPBC Act or species / populations identified as being of particular regional conservation concern. Applicants wishing to collect additional species will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.	Roadside, forestry land, council reserve, coastal reserve. Permission may be granted to collect on NPW Reserves if it can be shown there is no other source of plant material available.
Other native plant material collection	Regionally common plant species, as determined by Florlist.	Roadside, forestry land, council reserve, coastal reserve.

¹ Please note a native plant material collection permit is not required to collect on private land unless the species is prescribed, however, written permission from the landowner is required. Permission must also be obtained from local councils (or the agency responsible for care and control of the land) prior to collecting on public land.

² Florlist is a program used by DENR to provide regional conservation ratings for native species. Regions are as defined by the State Herbarium (fourteen regions in total). Conservation ratings are, in order of increasing conservation concern:

- common
- uncommon
- rare
- vulnerable
- threatened
- endangered
- locally extinct.

