

# Cape Range, Western Australia 2019: Bush Blitz expedition report





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# Summary

From 17 to 27 June 2019, Bush Blitz led an expedition to the Cape Range peninsula in Western Australia.

Surveys and collections filled knowledge gaps, provided important material for future genetic and taxonomic studies, and extended the known ranges of species, adding some new records for Australia.

At least 769 species were recorded during the Bush Blitz and 46 of those may be completely new to science (3 marine fishes, 2 moths, 24 true bugs, 2 spiders, 1 pseudoscopion, 2 crabs, 2 molluscs and 10 sponges). Many unnamed or informal invertebrate taxa were collected. These may assist scientists to revise, compare and describe species in the future.

One species of threatened mammal was recorded – Black-flanked Rock-wallaby (*Petrogale lateralis lateralis*) – and 5 vascular plant species that are poorly known or near threatened.

Nine introduced and pest animal species were recorded, along with 5 introduced plant species.

Highlights of the expedition include:

- the collection of the first museum fish vouchers from the Exmouth Gulf mangroves, and the identification of relatively intact reef habitats that support diverse and healthy fish communities.
- the discovery in a tidal pool in Exmouth Gulf of prawn species *Melicertus marginatus,* previously only known from deeper waters (up to 300 m) adjacent to the gulf.
- the discovery of a species of symbiotic barnacle, *Pectinacasta cancellorum*, recorded for the first time in Australian waters. Specimens collected will be used in upcoming taxonomic and systematic papers.
- the collection of a recently described species of cockle bivalve that was found live for the first time (*Ctenocardia pilbaraensis*).
- the collection of the first physical vouchers of sea slug *Goniobranchus* cf. *roboi*, previously known from photographs its description is now underway.
- the chance 'discovery' of a large, stunning and rarely seen candy cane sea slug (*Bornella* sp.) in the aquarium at the Ningaloo Centre the species may be new to science.
- significant additions to the tissue library of the Marine Invertebrate Zoology collections at the WA Museum, providing an excellent resource for future research.
- the first records of the trapdoor spider genera *Conothele* and *Euoplos* from Cape Range, both represented by new species.
- the first record of the pseudoscorpion genus *Synsphyronus* from Cape Range, represented by a new species.
- the type collection of the endemic Cape Range Buttercup (*Hibbertia* sp. Cape Range) which was formally described in December 2019 as *Hibbertia capensis*.

# Introduction

## About Bush Blitz

The Bush Blitz program documents plants and animals in selected properties across Australia to support the discovery of new species, complement and complete existing collections, and provide information to support land management and conservation.

Bush Blitz is an initiative of the Australian Government, through Parks Australia, in partnership with BHP and Earthwatch Australia. This innovative partnership harnesses the expertise of many of Australia's top scientists from museums, herbaria, universities, and other institutions and organisations across the country.

An estimated 580,000–680,000 species are found in Australia (Chapman 2009), but threequarters of this biodiversity is yet to be identified. Around 45% of continental Australia and over 90% of our marine area have never been comprehensively surveyed by scientists. Increasing our understanding of Australia's biodiversity is critical for conservation, biosecurity, agriculture, human and animal health and many other activities.

Since the Bush Blitz program began in 2010, more than 1,700 species have been discovered during Bush Blitz expeditions across Australia.

In addition to species discovery, Bush Blitz objectives include raising public awareness of biodiversity, and improving environmental, social and educational outcomes for local and Indigenous communities. While some of these objectives are met during expeditions – through Bush Blitz TeachLive, teacher workshops and community days – they are out of scope for this report.

## About this report

This report summarises the initial scientific findings of an expedition to the Cape Range region. Information in this report has been extracted from the <u>scientific reports</u> provided by expedition members. Locational data for all flora and fauna records are provided to reserve managers and are publicly available through the <u>Atlas of Living Australia</u> (ALA).

## Cape Range Bush Blitz

Bush Blitz led an expedition to the Cape Range region from 17 to 27 June 2019, to collect and record plants and animals living in terrestrial and marine environments.

The Cape Range peninsula is a heavily dissected karstic range and fringing coastal plain adjacent to the northern part of the Ningaloo Marine Park. Located about 1,200 km north of Perth, on the north-west coast of Western Australia, Cape Range forms the westernmost area of continental Australia. It sits within the tropical zone, but the terrestrial ecosystems are distinctly arid-adapted, reflecting the climate and intermittent rainfall that is characteristic of the region.

The peninsula is floristically rich for an arid limestone environment and supports populations of flora from temperate, arid and tropical provinces. Although the area has had many visits by professional and amateur botanists over the last 50 years, Cape Range National Park and its surrounds have been poorly surveyed for vascular plants.

The peninsula also has a rich and diverse fauna that has been attributed to the range of habitats available, as well as the presence of species at the limit of their geographical range or occurring as geographically isolated populations. There have been limited studies of the terrestrial fauna of the region. For example, previous studies of the region's arachnid and myriapod fauna focused on subterranean fauna. This expedition gave terrestrial teams an opportunity to fill knowledge gaps through targeted collections, including from locations that were previously difficult to access, with assistance from land managers and the use of helicopters.

Cape Range National Park encompasses 50,581 ha of the Cape Range peninsula. A national park covering part of the existing Cape Range National Park was first gazetted as a reserve in 1964 and it reached its current size in 1974 (WA Government 2010). The expedition team worked closely with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (WA) who jointly manage the park with the Baiyungu, Thalanyji and Yinikutura Traditional Owners.

The marine environments surrounding Cape Range peninsula can be loosely divided into 2 broad habitats. The west coast is dominated by Ningaloo Reef, which is a 260 km long narrow fringing/barrier coral reef with an extensive back-reef lagoon. Ningaloo Reef is a popular destination for tourism and has been surveyed extensively over the years. As a result, much of the fauna is relatively well documented. To the east of the peninsula is the large embayment of Exmouth Gulf, some 40 km wide and 80 km long ( $\sim$ 3,000 km<sup>2</sup>). The gulf is dominated by soft sediments with widespread filter-feeder communities of sponges and soft corals. The fauna of Exmouth Gulf is poorly known, apart from bycatch monitoring of the prawn and scallop fishery.

Exmouth Gulf supports a diversity of habitats that house a high diversity of fishes but the reef and mangrove fish communities are poorly known. Other than the fish species caught as bycatch in prawn trawls, only a few records exist and the mangrove systems are effectively unstudied for fishes. During this expedition, surveys prioritised species that are behaviourally cryptic, or known to belong to taxonomically complex and poorly documented groups, such as the fish families Gobiidae and Apogonidae, and mangrove-associated fauna.

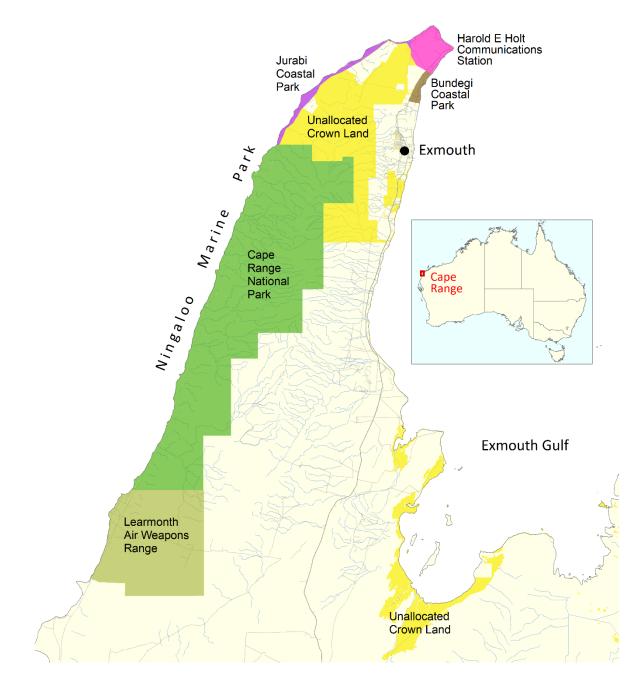
Marine invertebrates of Exmouth Gulf are also poorly known. The region is a biodiversity hotspot for marine sponges and the expedition provided a unique opportunity to sample the shallow regions of the Ningaloo Coast and Exmouth Gulf. In particular, the sites on the northern side of the gulf had not previously been sampled for sponges. Marine molluscs from the gulf have received some attention but virtually nothing is known about the micromolluscs. Mollusc surveys focused on microscopic (less than 0.5 cm) marine gastropods of the gulf and shallow sites on Ningaloo Reef that have also received less attention.

## Study area

The study area included parts of Bundegi Coastal Park, Cape Range National Park, Harold E Holt Naval Communications Station (Harold E Holt), Jurabi Coastal Park, Learmonth Air Weapons Range, adjoining pastoral land and unallocated Crown Land (UCL), the Exmouth Gulf and Ningaloo Marine Park.

Map 1 shows the locations visited during the expedition.

#### Map 1 Locations visited, 17 June to 27 June 2019



Note: For a map of collection sites see <u>Appendix B</u>.

## Expedition team

### Logistics

Bush Blitz provided the logistical coordination and overall leadership for the expedition. The Bush Blitz team consisted of Jo Harding, Kate Grarock, Haylee Weaver and Zoe Jarvis.

### Scientific

The Western Australian Museum (WA Museum) and the Western Australian Herbarium (WA Herbarium) were the host institutions for this Bush Blitz, providing the core group of personnel and accessioning the specimens into their collections. Experts from the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) and University of New South Wales (UNSW) also conducted field and laboratory work.

### **BHP** participants

Sandra McCullough and Maria Garcia Rojas (Earthwatch Australia) coordinated 8 BHP employees who assisted scientists in the field. BHP employees on the expedition were Theodora Sotiris, Michael Walkling, Paul Elliott, Rachel Taplin, Robert Scott, Shelley Batten, Wanda Gunawan and Simon Summerfield.

#### Figure 1 Some members of the expedition team



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# Methods

## Taxonomic groups studied and personnel

A number of taxonomic groups were selected as targets for study. Table 1 lists the groups surveyed and the personnel who undertook the fieldwork, made identifications and reported on the findings.

Table 1 Taxonomic groups	s surveyed and personnel
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Group	Common name	Personnel and affiliation
Mammalia, Reptilia and Amphibia	Mammals, reptiles and frogs	Paul Doughty (WA Museum) Ryan J Ellis (WA Museum) Linette S Umbrello (WA Museum) Lucy Clausen (DBCA) Heather Barnes (DBCA)
Chondrichthyes and Actinopterygii	Marine fishes	Glenn Moore (WA Museum) Mark Allen (WA Museum)
Porifera	Sponges	Jane Fromont (WA Museum) Oliver Gomez (WA Museum)
Lepidoptera	Moths	Paul Kay (WA Museum)
Heteroptera	True bugs	Arlee McMah (UNSW) Nikolai Tatarnic (WA Museum)
Mollusca	Molluscs	Lisa Kirkendale (WA Museum) Nerida Wilson (WA Museum)
Arachnida and Myriapoda	Arachnids and myriapods	Mark Harvey (WA Museum) Julianne Waldock (WA Museum)
Crustacea	Crustaceans	Andrew Hosie (WA Museum) Ana Hara (WA Museum)
Vascular flora	Flowering plants	Greg Keighery (WA Herbarium) Kelly Lilburn (WA Herbarium)

Other personnel, including but not limited to Gerry Cassis (UNSW) and Ted Edwards (CSIRO), assisted with making identifications and reporting. These personnel and their roles are mentioned in the scientific reports.

## Site selection and collection methods

All scientists surveyed 2 standard survey sites selected by Bush Blitz. Each standard survey site was centred on a point (permanently marked), but the actual area surveyed varied between taxa. Standard methodologies were used to sample these sites. Standard survey sites were both terrestrial and therefore not sampled during the marine surveys.

The use of standard survey sites provides a unique opportunity to examine broad-spectrum biodiversity. Among other benefits, it allows land managers to use these sites for ongoing monitoring and generates a national dataset that can be used to underpin conservation and land management decisions.

Apart from standard survey sites, site selection and collection methods were left to the discretion of the individual scientist. When selecting sites, scientists prioritised areas that were undersurveyed and had high potential for new or significant discoveries. They also considered the suitability of the site based on access, collection technique, habitat type and time available. Site locations were recorded using global positioning systems. Specific details about site selection and collection methods can be found in the scientific reports.

## Identification and curation

The specimens taken will be identified using the holdings of museums and herbaria and available literature (references are provided in the scientific reports).

Fauna specimens will be deposited at the WA Museum, with duplicates of Heteroptera specimens deposited in the UNSW entomology collection. Vascular plants will be deposited at the WA Herbarium.

# Results

## Summary of records

Preliminary results indicate that at least 769 species were recorded during the Bush Blitz, including approximately 46 putative new species – these await formal identification. One threatened animal species, 9 introduced and pest animal species and 5 weed species were also recorded.

Table 2 provides a summary of the flora and fauna records made on the expedition.

Group	Common name	Total species recorded	Putative new species	Threatened species	Introduced and pest species
Mammalia	Mammals	7	0	1	2
Reptilia	Reptiles	27	0	0	0
Amphibia	Frogs	2	0	0	0
Actinopterygii	Marine fishes	77	3	0	0
Chondrichthyes	Sharks and rays	1	0	0	0
Echinodermata	Seastars, brittle stars and sea cucumbers	5	0	0	0
Lepidoptera	Moths	82	2	0	5
Heteroptera	True bugs	95	24	0	2
Arachnida	Spiders	44	2	0	0
	Scorpions	4	0	0	0
	Pseudoscorpions	7	1	0	0
Myriapoda	Centipedes and millipedes	5	0	0	0
Crustacea	Crabs, lobsters, shrimp and barnacles	128	2	0	0
Mollusca	Molluscs	96	2	0	0
Bryozoa	Bryozoans	4	0	0	0
Cnidaria	Corals, jellyfish and sea anemones	18	0	0	0
Ctenophora	Comb jellies	1	0	0	0
Porifera	Sponges	55	10	0	0
Vascular flora	Flowering plants	111	0	0	5
Total		769	46	1	14

Table 2 Summary of flora and fauna records

Note: Threatened species include those listed as threatened under the Commonwealth EPBC Act or an equivalent listing under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (WA). Introduced and pest species may include species that are native to Australia.

## **Species lists**

Lists of all species recorded during the expedition (<u>Appendix A</u>) were compiled using data from participating institutions.

Some specimens were only able to be identified to family or genus level. This is partly because identification of specimens is very time-consuming, with detailed microscopic examination needed in many cases. Some groups are also 'orphans' – currently no experts are working on them or are available to work on them and the taxonomic literature is out of date. Species-level identification is therefore not possible for these groups.

In addition, due to a lack of rainfall prior to the expedition, many of the plant species taken displayed minimal to no observable floral structures. This led to an inability to positively identify some specimens to species level. Similarly, many of the arachnid and myriapod specimens could not be identified due to the lack of adults among the collected samples, which is mainly due to seasonal factors.

Unidentified Bush Blitz specimens are held in institutional collections where they are available for future study. Collections hold many such specimens, among them species not yet described (that is, unnamed species) as well as described species that have not yet been identified. For example, the Australian National Insect Collection holds tens of thousands of unidentified specimens. Specimens often wait decades before the resources become available for their study. A key component of Bush Blitz is the funding of taxonomic work on specimens collected during Bush Blitz expeditions.

Nomenclature and taxonomic concepts used in this report are consistent with the Australian Faunal Directory (AFD), The World Porifera Database, The World Register of Marine Species, Australian Plant Name Index and Australian Plant Census.

# Discussion

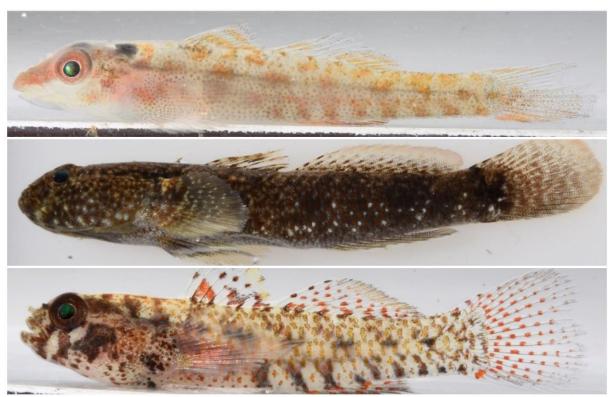
## **Putative new species**

Here we use the term 'putative new species' to mean an unnamed species that, as far as can be ascertained, was identified as a new species as a direct result of this Bush Blitz. A putative new species is confirmed as a new species once it is named and its description is published.

Approximately 46 putative new species were discovered during the expedition. Further research may reveal additional new species in the material collected.

### **Marine fishes**

The identities of 3 gobiid taxa could not be confirmed following careful examination of the specimens in the laboratory, including consultation with published literature, and comparison with voucher specimens in the WA Museum collection. Figure 2 shows images of the 3 taxa, *Pleurosicya* sp. 'EG' (top), *Bathygobius* cf. *fuscus* (middle) and *Eviota* sp. 'EG' (bottom). Although they are listed here as putative new species, further taxonomic research, including molecular systematic work, is needed in order to accurately determine their taxonomic status.



### Figure 2 Putative new species of marine fishes

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#### Moths

The Lepidoptera comprise around 177,500 described species (of an estimated 500,000), making them the second most speciose order, surpassed only by the Coleoptera. Moths are much more numerous than butterflies, making up around 160,000 of described lepidopteran species. In

Australia there are approximately 22,000 species of moth, around half of which remain undescribed.

Of the 82 species of macro-moths collected in light traps, 17 are not named and, of these, 2 species are believed to be new to science and not found in existing collections. *Euproctis* BBCR msp.16 is a poor flyer, so a good candidate for a short-range species, and needs further study. A single specimen of *Persectania* BBCR msp.17 was collected and needs DNA work to confirm it as a new species.

The remaining 15 species appear to be undescribed species or species complexes belonging to known but not presently named taxa. These have been given morphospecies codes pending further taxonomic work. As many of these are known from specimens collected elsewhere in Australia (for example, the eastern states), future studies are likely to reveal some of these as additional species new to science.

### True bugs

Australian Heteroptera comprise approximately 2,500 described species (AFD). Bush Blitz Phase 1 surveys revealed 1,391 Heteropteran species, 391 of which are new to science. In their report to Bush Blitz on Bush Blitz Phase 1, Prof. Cassis and Prof. Laffan indicated the species taxonomic accumulation curve of Australian Heteroptera is not levelling and predicated there are approximately 6,500 species.

Of the 95 species of Heteroptera collected during the expedition, 24 are putatively new to science.

### Spiders

Around 2,000 species of spiders have been described in Australia, but this may only be half of the total number that exist. Trapdoor spiders have occurred on the Australian continent for over 300 million years and have evolved into hundreds of different species. Collections included 2 new species of trapdoor spider. Specimens of *Conothele* sp. `MYG673` and *Euoplos* sp. `MYG672` (Figure 3) were collected at 2 different sites and these represent the first records of both genera from Cape Range.



Figure 3 Putative new species of Euoplos trapdoor spider

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#### **Pseudoscorpions**

Pseudoscorpions, also known as false scorpions or book scorpions, resemble tiny scorpions. Australia has more than 170 described species, but there are likely to be many more. A population of new species *Synsphyronus* 'Cape Range' was located at a site in Shothole Canyon Road. This represents the first record of the genus *Synsphyronus* from Cape Range.

#### Crabs

In the mangrove areas of the Bay of Rest and Gales Bay, 2 crab species were found that are morphologically distinct from others in their genus. Both are considered to be new to science.

*Neosesarma* sp. BBCR01 is from a genus not previously reported in Western Australia, and has morphology distinct from other species in Australia. *Parasesarma* sp. BBCR01 is a distinct morphological species in Australia. Both specimens were tissue sampled for DNA.

Both species are burrowers and, like most crabs in the family Sesarmidae, are presumed to be mostly herbivorous, feeding on mangrove leaves. The species of Sesarmidae play a significant role in nutrient cycling within the mangrove forests by preventing the build-up of decaying leaves, which can deplete oxygen in the sediments and surrounding waters.

#### Molluscs

Bundegi Reef, offshore from Bundegi Coastal Park, was the source of 2 putative new mollusc species.

A population of small urchin-inhabiting bivalves was recovered during a short dredging trial. The bivalves were living around the mouth of 2 individuals of the sea urchin *Breynia desori* and represent a new genus in the family Montacutidae. The collection of a putative new species of *Rhodope*, from the gravelly bottom of a sponge garden, represents the first record of this little known worm-like mollusc family in Western Australia.



#### Figure 4 Putative new species of *Rhodope* among sand grains

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#### Sponges

The sponge specimens collected during this expedition include up to 10 new species. These sponges do not match any specimens in the WA Museum collection. Also, *Dendoricella* sp. Bb1 is the first specimen of this genus from Western Australia. An enormous amount of taxonomic research will be required to confirm them as new species.

## **Threatened species**

Approximately 92% of Australian plants, 87% of mammals, 93% of reptiles and 45% of birds are endemic (Chapman 2009). Changes to the landscape resulting from human activity have put many of these unique species at risk. Over the last 200 years, many species have gone extinct; many others are considered to be threatened – that is, at risk of extinction.

#### Mammals

Black-flanked Rock-wallaby (*Petrogala lateralis lateralis*) was observed on multiple occasions during spotlighting along a Yardie Creek walking trail.

Family	Species	Common name	Status	Comments
Macropodidae	Petrogale lateralis lateralis	Black-flanked Rock- wallaby	Endangered (EPBC Act & BC Act)	Yardie Creek; up to 6 individuals, including small juveniles

Table 3 Threatened fauna species – mammals

#### **Vascular plants**

In Western Australia, flora taxa that may be threatened or near threatened, but are data deficient or have not yet been adequately surveyed to be listed under the Wildlife Conservation (Rare Flora) Notice, are added to the Priority Flora List under Priorities 1, 2 or 3. The 3 categories are ranked in order of priority for survey and evaluation of conservation status, so that consideration can be given to their declaration as threatened flora. The expedition recorded 4 species that are in Priorities 1, 2 or 3 of the Priority Flora List – *Calytrix* sp. Learmonth (P1), *Acacia ryaniana* (P2), *Daviesia pleurophylla* (P2), *Stackhousia umbellata* (P3).

The Millstream Palm (*Livistona alfredii*) is in Priority 4 of the Priority Flora List because it is adequately known but near threatened and requires regular monitoring. During the expedition, botanists were able to monitor the relict population of Millstream Palm and provide management recommendations.

## Introduced and pest species

Conservation reserves help to protect Australia's rare and threatened ecosystems and provide refuge for species at risk. Invasive species can have a major impact on already vulnerable species and ecosystems, as well as economic, environmental and social impacts. The inclusion of introduced and pest species records as part of this report is designed to provide land managers with baseline information to assist with further pest management programs.

No introduced or pest species were recorded in the marine environment and the marine scientists commented that many of the sites visited along the Ningaloo Coast and in Exmouth Gulf appeared to be very healthy and in good environmental condition.

Table 4 lists the introduced and pest vertebrate species that were observed during terrestrial surveys.

Family	Species	Common name	Comments
Canidae	Canis familiaris	Dingo, Dog	Various locations along Yardie Creek Rd; multiple pairs (~3) and individuals (~4); most individuals appeared to be in poor condition
Leporidae	Oryctolagus cuniculus	Rabbit	Various locations along Yardie Creek Rd; multiple individuals

Table 4 Introduced and pest vertebrate species – mammals

#### Invertebrates

Table 5 lists the introduced and pest invertebrate species that were collected or observed in the study area.

Group	Family	Species	Common name	Comments
True bugs	Lygaeidae	Nysius vinitor	Rutherglen Bug	Low abundance (5); widespread pest throughout Australia, causes damage to grain, sunflower and sorghum
	Miridae	Creontiades dilutus	Green Mirid	Moderate abundance (22); collected on several hosts and at light; major pest of cotton throughout Australia, causes damage to other crops including soybean and grapes
Moths	Crambidae	Sceliodes cordalis	Poroporo Fruit Borer, Eggfruit Caterpillar	Single specimen at Shothole Canyon; pest on Solanaceae
	Noctuidae	Chrysodeixis eriosoma	Green Looper, Tomato Green Looper	Low numbers in dune off Yardie Creek Rd (SS2); pest on garden plants and also feeds on some weeds
	Noctuidae	Helicoverpa armigera	Cotton Bollworm	Low numbers in dune off Yardie Creek Rd (SS2) and <i>Livistona</i> site; common in WA
	Noctuidae	Spodoptera exigua	Beet Armyworm	Single specimen at Livistona site
	Oecophoridae	Maroga melanostigma	Pecan Stem Girdler	Low numbers at Shothole Canyon; garden pest

Table 5 Introduced and pest invertebrate species – true bugs and moths

#### **Vascular plants**

The botanists recorded 5 weed species and provided management recommendations in their report.

The Harold E Holt Naval Communications Station (Harold E Holt) contains a large range of introduced plants that are maintaining themselves or increasing. This is especially true of the trees and shrubs, several of which are not recorded as weedy, or present, in the Cape Range area.

Perhaps the most significant weed at the site is the non-local form of *Albizia lebbeck* which is native to the Kimberley region of WA. This tree has fruited extensively and has spread into the adjacent Bundegi Coastal Reserve, via disturbance along a pipeline track. Plants of this species are fire-resistant and taller than most surrounding vegetation and, with a broad canopy, will overshadow the native vegetation.

Buffel Grass (*Cenchrus ciliaris*) is an invasive species that is difficult to control once it has become established. Native to tropical and sub-tropical regions of Africa and western Asia, it is a hardy apomictic pastoral species used not only for grazing but occasionally for mine site rehabilitation and erosion control. It is now commonly found throughout Australia, due to being ideally suited to the harsh dry environments, and can become a problem due to its invasiveness and its potential effect on biodiversity. While Buffel Grass is not in high abundance, and not cause for direct concern, if left unchecked with no future monitoring it could become problematic to control. While the botanical survey quadrats were limited to a 20 m x 20 m area, it is important to note that the sites chosen were indicative of the majority of the landscape. Therefore it can be extrapolated that the same amount of Buffel Grass can be found throughout the surrounding areas.

Family	Species	Common name	Location
Asphodelaceae	Aloe vera var. officinalis	na	Exmouth townsite; Harold E Holt; vacant lots; abundant
Bignoniaceae	Tecoma stans	na	Harold E Holt; plants scattered around buildings
Fabaceae	Albizia lebbeck	na	Harold E Holt, Bundegi Coastal Park, Exmouth townsite; scattered to abundant
Lamiaceae	Vitex trifolia	na	Harold E Holt; plants scattered around buildings
Poaceae	Cenchrus cilaris	Buffel Grass	1% coverage at 3 sites and <5% coverage at a 4 <sup>th</sup> site

#### **Table 6 Non-gazetted weeds**

na Not available.

## **Range extensions**

The known ranges of many species were extended, including new records for Western Australia and Australia. The most notable range extensions are listed in Table 7.

Although many of the fish species recorded represent new records for the area, most are widespread species known from nearby waters and these new records reflect the limited previous sampling in the gulf and the limited significance, from a commercial fisheries standpoint, of these taxa. However, 9 of the species collected do represent significant range extensions and important distribution infill records. Most are range extensions of 200 km to 300 km southward from the well-studied reefs around the Dampier Archipelago and Monte Bello Islands in the Pilbara.

Range extensions for moths are difficult to determine due to a lack of baseline data. Nonetheless, 14 new records are noted for the region, based on consultation with moth expert Ted Edwards. Distances from nearest known records are for the most part not available.

Range extensions for true bugs could not be assessed due to a lack of baseline data. While the WA Museum has many specimens from recent collecting at Cape Range, these are yet to be fully identified, databased and uploaded to ALA.

For molluscs, it is not possible to assess range extensions for many taxa that have not been fully identified.

Southward range extensions occurred for 21 sponge species and varied from 28 km to 1,320 km distance to nearest known records. More thorough taxonomic research, including genetic sequencing, is required to determine if some of the species with the largest range extensions are very widespread, or are cryptic species. There are few records of some sponge species suggesting they may be uncommon, for example, *Dendrilla* sp. PB1 has only been reported from the Onslow region and is uncommon there. *Spirastrella* sp. NR1, *Haliclona* (*Reniera*) sp. TB1 and *Aplysina* sp. TB1 appear to be rare species with few specimens collected anywhere in WA.

### Table 7 Range extensions

Group	Family	Species	Comments
Marine fishes	Apogonidae	Apogonichthys perdix	Bundegi Reef, Exmouth Gulf; 80 km from nearest known record; distribution infill
	Apogonidae	Siphamia tubulata	Bundegi sponge garden, Exmouth Gulf; 280 km from nearest known record; southerly range extension
	Apogonidae	Taeniamia melasma	Y Island, Exmouth Gulf; 270 km from nearest known record; southerly range extension
	Gobiesocidae	Lepadichthys sandaracatus	5 Mile Reef, Ningaloo; 300 km from nearest know record; distribution infill
	Gobiidae	Barbuligobius boehlkei	Two Rocks, Exmouth Gulf; 222 km from nearest known record, distribution infill
	Gobiidae	Eviota inutilis	Bundegi Reef, Exmouth Gulf; 320 km from neares known record; distribution infill
	Gobiidae	Pleurosicya plicata	Y Island, Exmouth Gulf; 211 km from nearest known record, southerly range extension
	Gobiidae	<i>Pseudogobius</i> sp. B 'plain'	Bay of Rest, Exmouth Gulf; difficult to determine distance from previous known record due to misidentification in collections; distribution infill
	Pempheridae	Pempheris oualensis	Y Island, Exmouth Gulf; 340 km from nearest known record; distribution infill
Moths	Anthelidae	Anthela BBCR msp.2	<i>Livistona</i> site; new record for Cape region; known from single specimen elsewhere in WA
	Crambidae	Notarcha polytimeta	Shothole Canyon; nearest record from Kimberley
	Erebidae	Acantholipes zuboides	Light trap near power lines; new record for Cape region; previously recorded on Montebello Island (215 km)
	Erebidae	Crypsiprora orthogramma	Shothole Canyon and dune off Yardie Creek Rd; new record for the Cape region; nearest record from Pilbara
	Erebidae	Xenogenes chrysoplaca	<i>Livistona</i> site and dune off Yardie Creek Rd; new record for Cape region; found in northern WA
	Geometridae	Dinophalus BBCR msp.8	Livistona site; new record for Cape region
	Geometridae	Dinophalus BBCR msp.12	Shothole Canyon, dune off Yardie Creek Rd and <i>Livistona</i> site; new record for Cape region but known from elsewhere in WA
	Geometridae	Homospora rhodoscopa	Shothole Canyon; single record from Derby (1,127 km)
	Limacodidae	Eloasa callidesma	Shothole Canyon; new record for Cape region
	Noctuidae	Aedia BBCR msp.6	Shothole Canyon; new record for Cape region
	Noctuidae	Callopistria maillardi	Dune off Yardie Creek Rd; new record for Cape region; has been known from WA since ~2011
	Noctuidae	Ectopatria xerampelina	Near quarry off Learmonth, Minilya Rd; Pilbara
	Noctuidae	Heliocheilus ranalaetensis	Dune off Yardie Creek Rd; new record for Cape region; possible new record for WA
	Notodontidae	Destolmia lineata	Dune off Yardie Creek Rd; new record for Cape region

Group	Family	Species	Comments
Crustaceans	Archaeobalanidae	Conopea cf. willhearsti	Range extension south from Kimberley region (~1,200 km)
	Archaeobalanidae	Pectinoacasta cancellorum	First record for Australia; previously known from Japan (~6,000 km)
	Camptandriidae	Baruna trigranulum	Range extension south from Kimberley region (~1,200 km)
	Ceinidae	Ceina gerlachae	First record since description from Queensland (~3,800 km)
	Diogenidae	Diogenes cf. pallescens	Range extension from Cape Preston (~300 km) (WA Museum database records, pending ID confirmation)
	Dorippidae	Neodorippe callida	Range extension from Shark Bay (~400 km)
	Epialtidae	Acanthonyx euryseroche	Range extension from Coral Bay (~100 km); only other record at WA Museum is from Shark Bay
	Epialtidae	Huenia australis	Range extension from Coral Bay (~100 km)
	Gonodactylidae	Gonodactylellus dianae	First record outside of type locality, Dampier Archipelago (~300 km)
	Palaemonidae	Periclimenaeus arabicus	Southernmost record in WA; previously known from Dampier Archipelago (~300 km)
	Parthenopidae	Aulacolambrus diacanthus	Previously recorded in WA from Dampier Archipelago (~300 km)
	Porcellanidae	Petrolisthes haplodactylus	Previously known from NT & QLD (~2,000 km)
	Sesarmidae	Sarmatium germaini	Range extension south from Kimberley (~1,200 km)
	Sphaeromatidae	Agostodina munta	Previously only known from Montebello Islands (~200 km)
	Xanthidae	Platypodia cf. pseudogranulosa	Previously recorded in WA from Dampier Archipelago (~300 km) (pending ID confirmation)
Spiders	Lamponidae	Lamponata daviesae	1.5 km SSE of Tantabiddi Boat Ramp; widespread across Australia but not previously recorded from Cape Range; nearest record from central Pilbara ~500 km
	Lycosidae	Hoggicosa castanea	Track off Charles Knife Road; widespread across Australia but not previously recorded from Cape Range; nearest record from western Pilbara ~210 km
	Miturgidae	Mituliodon tarantulinus	Shothole Canyon Road & coastal trap line; widespread across Australia but not previously recorded from Cape Range; nearest record from western Pilbara ~235 km
	Salticidae	Sandalodes joannae	Standard survey site; intermittently distributed across southern Australia but not previously recorded from Cape Range; nearest record ~900 km
Pseudoscorpions	Geogarypidae	Geogarypus taylori	Yardie Creek Trail; widespread across southern Australia but not previously recorded from Cape Range; nearest record is Barrow Island ~200 km
Centipedes	Scolopendridae	Cormocephalus turneri	Exmouth car tip; widespread across most of WA but not previously recorded from Cape Range; nearest record is Barrow Island ~200 km

Group	Family	Species	Comments
Molluscs	Caecidae	Parastrophia challengeri	Exmouth Gulf; no records on OZCAM or ALA but records from Queensland in AFD; new record for WA
	Chromodorididae	Chromodoris aff. striatella	Exmouth Gulf; nearest known record Port Hedland; need to sequence material to confirm ID
	Eulimidae	Thyca astericola	Exmouth Gulf; an ectoparasite on the seastar <i>Iconaster longimanus</i> ; no records on OZCAM, ALA, AFD; new record for Australia; nearest known records from Asia
	Philinidae	<i>Spiniphiline</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	Exmouth Gulf; genus described from Aldabra Atoll; new record for Australia; only known from Moorea and Papua New Guinea (records unpublished)
	Rhodopidae	<i>Rhodope</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	Exmouth Gulf; first record of Rhodopidae for WA; nearest in Edithburgh, SA or Darwin, NT.
	Spirostyliferinidae	Spirostyliferina lizardensis	Exmouth Gulf; need to sequence material from type locality to ascertain if it's the same species, conservative ID; nearest known record from Dampier
Sponges	Agelasidae	Agelas mauritiana	Y-Island, Exmouth Gulf; southern extension (~102 km)
	Aplysinellidae	Dendrilla sp. PB1	Y-Island, Exmouth Gulf; first specimen from this area; only 3 specimens collected from Onslow (~108 km)
	Aplysinidae	Aplysina sp. TB1	Two Rocks, Exmouth Gulf; 1 of only 3 specimens collected from WA (~28.2 km)
	Aplysinidae	Aplysina sp. WAM1 cf.	Five Mile Beach, Exmouth Gulf; 1 of only 2 specimens collected in WA (~316 km)
	Axinellidae	Axinella sp. NW1 cf.	Two Rocks, Exmouth Gulf; southern extension (~273 km)
	Axinellidae	Phakellia sp. Ng6	Sponge garden, Bundegi Reef, Exmouth Gulf; uncommon species; 1 of 6 specimens collected from this region and in WA (~234 km)
	Biemnidae	Biemna sp. WAM2 cf.	Two Rocks, Exmouth Gulf; 1 of only 3 specimens collected in WA (~331 km)
	Callyspongiidae	Arenosclera sp. WAM1	Sponge garden, Bundegi Reef, Exmouth Gulf; southern extension (~332 km); 1 of 11 speciment from WA
	Callyspongiidae	Callyspongia (Callyspongia) sp. KMB4 cf.	South of Two Rocks, Exmouth Gulf; 1 of only 4 specimens collected from WA ( $\sim$ 1,225 km)
	Callyspongiidae	Callyspongia (Toxochalina) sp. WAM2	Exmouth Reef north and south of Two Rocks; southern extension (~108 km)
	Chalinidae	Haliclona (Reniera) sp. TB1	Bundegi Reef, Exmouth Gulf; only 1 specimen collected from this area; only $2^{nd}$ record of this species (~28.9 km)
	Chalinidae	Haliclona (Reniera) sp. WAM10	Two Rocks, Exmouth Gulf; southern extension (~96.7 km)
	Clionaidae	Spirastrella sp. NR1	Two Rocks, Exmouth Gulf; only 1 specimen previously collected in the Ningaloo area; first record from Exmouth Gulf (~97.7 km)
	Dysideidae	Dysidea sp. WAM3	Exmouth Reef south; southern extension (~105 km)

Group	Family	Species	Comments
	Hemiasterellidae	Liosina granularis	Exmouth Reef north; southern extension ( $\sim$ 154 km)
	Mycalidae	<i>Mycale (Aegogropila)</i> sp. WAM1	Lakeside, Exmouth Gulf; southern extension (~1,234 km)
	Petrosiidae	Petrosia sp.WAM2 cf.	Y-Island, Exmouth Gulf; first voucher specimen from Exmouth Gulf
	Petrosiidae	Xestospongia sp.WAM1	Y-Island, Exmouth Gulf; southern extension (~99.3 km)
	Petrosiidae	Xestospongia sp.WAM3	Exmouth Reef south; southern extension (~96 km)
	Phloeodictyidae	Siphonodictyon sp. KMB1	Five Mile Beach and marina wall, Exmouth Gulf; southern extension (~1,277 km)
	Thorectidae	Phyllospongia sp. WAM	Five Mile Beach, Exmouth Gulf; southern extension (~1,320 km); species currently being described
Vascular plants	Fabaceae	Acacia colei	Exmouth UCL; new record for peninsula; 150 km from nearest record
	Poaceae	Dactyloctenium radulans	Exmouth UCL; new record for peninsula; 150 km from nearest record

## Other significant findings

The expedition provided an opportunity for scientists to collect other data and materials important for future research.

#### Vertebrates

Although cold temperatures likely reduced the numbers of animals encountered, a reasonable collection of reptiles and frogs was taken. The most interesting specimen collected was a Jewelled Gecko (*Strophurus elderi*) with an extremely reduced pattern. Examination of specimens held at the WA Museum revealed similar, relatively patternless specimens have also been collected from the Pilbara region, to the east of Cape Range. However, the exercise of searching the WA Museum collection brought some other unusual *S. elderi* specimens to the attention of the scientists, and these may turn out to be new species.

As a result of the expedition, the WA Museum worked alongside local DBCA staff, who will continue the vertebrate surveys established during the expedition to measure management outcomes.

#### **Marine fishes**

Tissue samples, taken from vouchered fish specimens, will be used in future studies to uncover new data on the taxonomy of the region's fishes. Some will be used to aid in identification, and some will potentially reveal unrecognised cryptic lineages. A cryptic lineage is a species or species complex containing individuals that are morphologically identical or very similar but genetically distinct. Identifying such cryptic species gives insight into how they have evolved.

Another noteworthy outcome from this expedition included the identification and documentation of relatively intact reef habitats that support diverse and healthy fish communities.

### Spiders

The population of Humped Golden Orb-weaving Spider (*Nephila plumipes*) at Bay of Rest is the only known population of this species from Western Australia, although it is widespread in eastern Australia. It was first recorded in 1987 (WA Museum specimens) and the population is still extant.

### Crustaceans

Of particular interest were the mangrove forests of Bay of Rest and Gales Bay, which yielded 22 species of crustaceans including putative new species, significant range extensions and a new record for the state. This was the result of just a few hours at each site and is indicative of how little is known of the mangrove invertebrate fauna in WA.

During a night time reef walk on Bundegi Reef Flat, several prawns were seen in tidal pools. One specimen was collected and identified as *Melicertus marginatus*. This species is not known from inside Exmouth Gulf and is not part of the commercial prawn catch but is instead found in deeper waters (up to 300 m) adjacent to the gulf.

Specimens were preserved in 100% ethanol and will be made accessible for molecular analysis by the scientific community. For example, barnacles found living on animals such as sponges and jellyfish in Western Australia are currently subject to an active project and many new species are in the process of being described. Specimens collected during this expedition will be invaluable to this project and genetic data generated from them will be used in upcoming taxonomic and systematic papers.

### Molluscs

The mollusc team obtained 137 marine and terrestrial specimens with extraordinary diversity (51 families) and almost half of these were microscopic marine gastropods, the target group. Given the WA Museum had collected in this region previously, the number of new species, new records and other significant discoveries from this expedition, indicates there is still more to learn about the biodiversity of this region.

The site off Bundegi Reef, referred to as the deep sponge garden, provided several of the important faunal records noted in Table 7. At this same site, a recently described species of medium-sized cardiid or cockle bivalve was found live for the first time (*Ctenocardia pilbaraensis*).

The sea slug (nudibranch) *Goniobranchus* cf. *roboi* was only known from a few photographs from Exmouth. This expedition provided the first physical vouchers and its description is now underway with collaborators at the California Academy of Sciences.

An unknown *Bornella* sea slug was 'discovered' at the Ningaloo Centre aquarium (collected in the south east side of Exmouth Gulf by centre staff), and is most likely new to science. This specimen was included in a study of the evolutionary history of *Bornella* species that was underway at the time of the expedition.

### Sponges

The expedition enabled significant additions to the tissue library of the Marine Invertebrate Zoology collections at the WA Museum.

Tissue and wet frozen samples were taken from most of the 70 sponge specimens collected. Tissue samples will aid identification, and may potentially reveal unrecognised cryptic lineages. Building the tissue library is fundamental to modern day systematics. Wet frozen samples will be used to look for chemical compounds that have not been identified before and may have medical benefits. These chemistry results may also prove to be useful taxonomic tools, with some compounds only found in particular groups of species.

#### **Other marine invertebrates**

Although the marine invertebrates team focused on their area of expertise, sponges, they also made collections from other phyla as their presence in the area might be important. These specimens will need to be identified by experts in their field. All are listed in Appendix A except 7 specimens that may have been comb jellies (Ctenophora) or hydrozoan medusae but had not been identified to phylum level at the time of reporting.

#### **Vascular plants**

Dry conditions prior to the expedition impacted the quality of plant samples taken and the quantity of species identified. Despite this, the expedition enabled the:

- establishment of a series of floristic quadrats in areas not previously surveyed due to their inaccessibility Upper Yardie Creek and Learmonth Air Weapons Range.
- collection of a specimen of the endemic Cape Range Buttercup (*Hibbertia* sp. Cape Range) which allowed it to be formally described as *Hibbertia capensis*. It was also noted that populations of this species on the main range and to the south had some significant differences. Those found on limestone were tall, open, robust, multi-stemmed, large-leaved shrubs that were in full flower. However, those from the southern portion of the species' range, on red sands over limestone or on deeper red sands, were slender, multi-stemmed, low, small-leaved shrubs that were not in flower or bud. It is not yet known how taxonomically significant these differences are.
- collection of further material for a field guide to the 21 endemic plants of Cape Range area, currently in preparation.

# **Appendix A: Species lists**

Group	Family	Species	Common name
Mammals	Canidae	Canis familiaris <sup>b</sup>	Dingo/Dog
	Dasyuridae	Dasykaluta rosamondae	Little Red Antechinus
	Dasyuridae	Sminthopsis youngsoni	Lesser Hairy-footed Dunnart
	Leporidae	Oryctolagus cuniculus <sup>b</sup>	Rabbit
	Macropodidae	Petrogale lateralis lateralis <sup>c d</sup>	Black-flanked Rock-wallaby
	Muridae	Notomys alexis	Spinifex Hopping-mouse
	Muridae	Pseudomys hermannsburgensis	Sandy Inland Mouse
Reptiles	Agamidae	Moloch horridus	Thorny Devil
	Agamidae	Pogona minor minor	Western Bearded Dragon
	Diplodactylidae	Diplodactylus bilybara	Western Fat-tailed Gecko
	Diplodactylidae	Diplodactylus capensis	Cape Range Stone Gecko
	Diplodactylidae	Lucasium stenodactylus	Sand Plain Gecko
	Diplodactylidae	Strophurus ciliaris aberrans	Northern Spiny-tailed Gecko
	Diplodactylidae	Strophurus elderi	Jewelled Gecko
	Elapidae	Acanthophis wellsi	Pilbara Death Adder
	Elapidae	Demansia rufescens	Rufous Whipsnake
	Elapidae	Furina ornata	Moon Snake
	Gekkonidae	Gehyra capensis	North West Cape Gehyra
	Gekkonidae	Gehyra variegata	Variegated Gehyra
	Gekkonidae	Heteronotia binoei	Bynoe's Gecko
	Pythonidae	Antaresia childreni	Children's Python
	Pythonidae	Aspidites melanocephalus	Black-headed Python
	Scincidae	Ctenotus grandis titan	Grand Desert Ctenotus
	Scincidae	Ctenotus iapetus	North West Cape Ctenotus
	Scincidae	Ctenotus inornatus	Bar-shouldered Ctenotus
	Scincidae	Ctenotus pantherinus ocellifer	Leopard Skink
	Scincidae	Cyclodomorphus melanops melanops	Slender Blue-tongue
	Scincidae	Lerista elegans	West Coast Four-toed Lerista
	Scincidae	Lerista onsloviana	Onslow Broad-blazed Lerista
	Scincidae	Lerista planiventralis planiventralis	Keeled Lerista
	Scincidae	Menetia greyii	Common Dwarf Skink
	Scincidae	Morethia ruficauda exquisita	Exquisite Fire-tail Skink
	Varanidae	Varanus eremius	Pygmy Desert Goanna
	Varanidae	Varanus giganteus	Perentie

#### Table A1 List of fauna species recorded

Group	Family	Species	Common name
Frogs	Pelodryadidae	Cyclorana maini	Sheep Frog, Main's Frog
	Limnodynastidae	Neobatrachus fulvus	Tawny Trilling Frog
Marine fishes	Acanthuridae	Acanthurus grammoptilus	Inshore Surgeonfish
	Ambassidae	Ambassis vachellii	Vachell's Glassfish
	Apogonidae	Apogonichthys perdix	Perdix Cardinalfish
	Apogonidae	Foa fo	Samoan Cardinalfish
	Apogonidae	Ostorhinchus cavitensis	Whiteline Cardinalfish
	Apogonidae	Ostorhinchus cookii	Cook's Cardinalfish
	Apogonidae	Ostorhinchus doederleini	Fourline Cardinalfish
	Apogonidae	Ostorhinchus pallidofasciatus	Palestriped Cardinalfish
	Apogonidae	Siphamia tubulata	Pipe Siphonfish
	Apogonidae	Taeniamia melasma	Blackspot Cardinalfish
	Atherinidae	Atherinomorus endrachtensis	Endracht Hardyhead
	Atherinidae	Atherinomorus vaigiensis	Common Hardyhead
	Atherinidae	Hypoatherina temminckii	Samoan Hardyhead
	Belonidae	Strongylura strongylura	Blackspot Longtom
	Blenniidae	Cirripectes filamentosus	Filamentous Blenny
	Blenniidae	Ecsenius yaeyamaensis	Palespotted Combtooth Blenny
	Blenniidae	Entomacrodus striatus	Blackspotted Rockskipper
	Blenniidae	Parablennius postoculomaculatus	False Tasmanian Blenny
	Blenniidae	Plagiotremus rhinorhynchos	Bluestriped Fangblenny
	Caesionidae	Pterocaesio digramma	Doubleline Fusilier
	Chaetodontidae	Chaetodon assarius	Western Butterflyfish
	Chaetodontidae	Chaetodon plebeius	Bluespot Butterflyfish
	Chaetodontidae	Chelmon marginalis	Margined Coralfish
	Clupeidae	Herklotsichthys blackburni	Blackburn's Herring
	Clupeidae	Nematalosa erebi	Bony Bream
	Diodontidae	Tragulichthys jaculiferus	Longspine Porcupinefish
	Engraulidae	Thryssa hamiltonii	Hamilton's Thryssa
	Gerreidae	Gerres subfasciatus	Common Silverbiddy
	Gobiesocidae	Lepadichthys sandaracatus	Shark Bay Clingfish
	Gobiidae	Amoya gracilis	Bluespotted Mangrovegoby
	Gobiidae	Asterropteryx semipunctata	Starry Goby
	Gobiidae	Barbuligobius boehlkei	Cryptic Bearded Goby
	Gobiidae	Bathygobius cf. fuscus <sup>a</sup>	na
	Gobiidae	Bathygobius fuscus	Dusky Frillgoby
	Gobiidae	Bryaninops amplus	Large Whipgoby
	Gobiidae	Eviota inutilis	Chestspot Eviota
	Gobiidae	<i>Eviota</i> sp. 'EG' <sup>a</sup>	na
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Group	Family	Species	Common name
	Gobiidae	Istigobius decoratus	Decorated Sandgoby
	Gobiidae	Istigobius nigroocellatus	Blackspotted Sandgoby
	Gobiidae	Periophthalmus argentilineatus	Silverlined Mudskipper
	Gobiidae	Pleurosicya plicata	Lobed Ghostgoby
	Gobiidae	Pleurosicya sp.'EG' a	na
	Gobiidae	Priolepis nuchifasciata	Threadfin Reefgoby
	Gobiidae	Pseudogobius sp. B 'plain'	Fatnose Goby
	Gobiidae	Valenciennea muralis	Mural Glidergoby
	Gobiidae	Yongeichthys nebulosus	Hairfin Goby
	Labridae	Coris caudimacula	Spot-tail Wrasse
	Labridae	Coris pictoides	Pixy Wrasse
	Labridae	Halichoeres melanochir	Orangefin Wrasse
	Labridae	Suezichthys cyanolaemus	Bluethroat Rainbow Wrasse
	Leiognathidae	Nuchequula gerreiodes	Blackneck Ponyfish
	Mugilidae	Liza subviridis	Greenback Mullet
	Mullidae	Parupeneus indicus	Yellowspot Goatfish
	Opistognathidae	Opistognathus darwiniensis	Darwin Jawfish
	Paralichthyidae	Pseudorhombus jenynsii	Smalltooth Flounder
	Pempheridae	Pempheris oualensis	Oualan Bullseye
	Pempheridae	Pempheris schwenkii	Silver Bullseye
	Platycephalidae	Cymbacephalus nematophthalmus	Fringe-eye Flathead
	Platycephalidae	Platycephalus westraliae	Yellowtail Flathead
	Plotosidae	Plotosus lineatus	Striped Catfish
	Pomacentridae	Neopomacentrus cyanomos	Regal Demoiselle
	Pomacentridae	Pomacentrus coelestis	Neon Damsel
	Pomacentridae	Pomacentrus milleri	Miller's Damsel
	Pomacentridae	Pomacentrus nagasakiensis	Blue-scribbled Damsel
	Pseudochromidae	Assiculus punctatus	Bluespotted Dottyback
	Pseudochromidae	Blennodesmus scapularis	Ocellate Eel Blenny
	Pseudochromidae	Pseudochromis cyanotaenia	Yellowhead Dottyback
	Pseudochromidae	Pseudochromis wilsoni	Yellowfin Dottyback
	Scorpaenidae	Scorpaenodes evides	Cheekspot Scorpionfish
	Serranidae	Epinephelus corallicola	Coral Grouper
	Serranidae	Epinephelus fasciatus	Blacktip Rockcod
	Sillaginidae	Sillago lutea	Mud Whiting
	Sparidae	Acanthopagrus morrisoni	Western Yellowfin Bream
	Tetraodontidae	Arothron manilensis	Narrowlined Puffer
	Tetraodontidae	Canthigaster axiologus	Crowned Toby
	Tripterygiidae	Enneapterygius larsonae	Blackhead Threefin

Group	Family	Species	Common name
Sharks and rays	Dasyatidae	Neotrygon ningalooensis	Ningaloo Maskray
Seastars, brittle stars and sea cucumbers	Asterinidae	Aquilonastra WAM Z88993 sp. 1	na
	Asterinidae	Aquilonastra WAM Z88995 sp. 2	na
	Cucumariidae	Cucumaria sp.	na
	Ophiodermatidae	Ophiodermatidae sp.	na
	Pterasteridae	Euretaster insignis	na
Moths	Anthelidae	Anthela adriana	na
	Anthelidae	Anthela BBCR msp.2	na
	Anthelidae	Anthela decolor	na
	Anthelidae	Anthela exoleta	na
	Anthelidae	Anthela tetraphrica	na
	Anthelidae	Anthela unisigna	na
	Anthelidae	Anthela xantharcha	Orange Tailed Anthelid
	Anthelidae	Munychryia senicula	Grey Anthelid
	Crambidae	Notarcha polytimeta	na
	Crambidae	Omiodes odontosticta	na
	Crambidae	Sceliodes cordalis <sup>b</sup>	Poroporo Fruit Borer
	Erebidae	Acantholipes zuboides	na
	Erebidae	Achaea argilla	Plain Looper
	Erebidae	Achaea janata	Castor Oil Looper/Croton Caterpillar
	Erebidae	Aloa marginata	Donovan's Tiger Moth
	Erebidae	Amata aperta	Pale Spotted Tiger Moth
	Erebidae	Anomis involuta	Hibiscus Cutworm/ Jute Looper
	Erebidae	Brachycyttara BBCR msp.13	na
	Erebidae	Brachycyttara crypsipyrrha	Cryptic Crest Moth
	Erebidae	Crypsiprora orthogramma	Inscribed Crest Moth
	Erebidae	Diatenes aglossoides	na
	Erebidae	Donuca spectabilis	White-spotted Owl Moth
	Erebidae	Eudesmeola lawsoni	Lawson's Night Moth
	Erebidae	Euproctis BBCR msp.16 a	na
	Erebidae	Grammodes ocellata	Large-eyed Box-owlet
	Erebidae	Ophiusa parcemacula	Figure Eight Moth
	Erebidae	Pandesma submurina	Pale Migrant
	Erebidae	Pantydia diemeni	Gap-lined Pantydia
	Erebidae	Praxis marmarinopa	Western Praxis
	Erebidae	Xenogenes chrysoplaca	na
	Erebidae	Xenogenes gloriosa	na
	Geometridae	Amelora BBCR msp.14	na
	Geometridae	Amelora conia	na

Group	Family	Species	Common name
	Geometridae	Capusa BBCR msp.9	na
	Geometridae	Capusa cuculloides	White-winged Wedge-moth
	Geometridae	Capusa stenophara	Dusky Wedge-moth
	Geometridae	Cernia amyclaria	na
	Geometridae	Cryphaea xylina	Woodland Geometrid
	Geometridae	Crypsiphona ocultaria	Red-lined Geometrid
	Geometridae	Dinophalus BBCR msp.4	na
	Geometridae	Dinophalus BBCR msp.8	na
	Geometridae	Dinophalus BBCR msp.12	na
	Geometridae	Homospora rhodoscopa	na
	Geometridae	Oenochroma BBCR msp.3	na
	Geometridae	Oenochroma BBCR msp.5	na
	Geometridae	Oenochroma BBCR msp.7	na
	Geometridae	Oenochroma cycnoptera	Dry country Wine-moth
	Geometridae	Paralaea sp.	na
	Geometridae	Prasinocyma rhodocosma	Northern Emerald
	Geometridae	Syneora BBCR msp.11	na
	Geometridae	Syneora BBCR msp.15	na
	Lasiocampidae	Genduara BBCR msp.10	na
	Lasiocampidae	Genduara subnotata	Clear-winged Snout Moth
	Lasiocampidae	Porela homospila	Desert Porela
	Lasiocampidae	Porela notodontina	Grey Porela
	Limacodidae	Eloasa callidesma	na
	Limacodidae	Parasoidea paroa	na
	Limacodidae	Pseudanapaea transvestita	Orange Cup Moth
	Noctuidae	Unplaced polycmeta BBCR msp.1	na
	Noctuidae	Aedia BBCR msp.6	na
	Noctuidae	Australothis rubrescens	na
	Noctuidae	Callopistria maillardi	na
	Noctuidae	Chrysodeixis eriosoma <sup>b</sup>	Green Looper/Tomato Green Looper
	Noctuidae	Ectopatria euglypta	na
	Noctuidae	Ectopatria xerampelina	na
	Noctuidae	Hecatesia thyridion	Southern Whistling Moth
	Noctuidae	Helicoverpa armigera <sup>b</sup>	Cotton Bollworm
	Noctuidae	Heliocheilus cladotus	na
	Noctuidae	Heliocheilus eodora	na
	Noctuidae	Heliocheilus ranalaetensis	na
	Noctuidae	Persectania BBCR msp.17 a	na
	Noctuidae	Spodoptera exigua <sup>b</sup>	Beet Armyworm

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	Noctuidae	Thalatha guttalis	na
	Nolidae	Armactica columbina	na
	Notodontidae	Destolmia lineata	Streaked Notodontid
	Notodontidae	Paradestolmia nigrolinea	na
	Oecophoridae	Maroga melanostigma <sup>b</sup>	Pecan Stem Girdler
	Psychidae	Lomera boisduvalii	na
	Sphingidae	Hippotion celerio	Vine Hawk Moth
	Sphingidae	Hippotion scrofa	Coprosma Hawk Moth
	Sphingidae	Hopliocnema brachycera	Desert Hawk Moth
	Sphingidae	Leucomonia bethia	na
True bugs	Alydidae	Daclera rufescens	na
	Alydidae	<i>Melanacanthus</i> sp_BBCRWA_msp.054	na
	Anthocoridae	Orius sp_BBCRWA_msp.015	na
	Berytidae	Gn_Berytidae_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.048 ª	na
	Coreidae	Turrana sp_BBCRWA_msp.064 a	na
	Coreidae	Mirabelamorbus sp_BBCRWA_msp.086 ª	na
	Cydnidae	Gn_Cydnidae_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.085	na
	Geocoridae	Germalus sp_BBCRWA_msp.024	na
	Heterogastridae	Dinomachus sp_BBCRWA_msp.071	na
	Heterogastridae	Parathyginus sp_BBCRWA_msp.076	na
	Hyocephalidae	Maevius sp_BBCRWA_msp.060 <sup>a</sup>	na
	Lygaeidae	Gn_Lathiini_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.079	na
	Lygaeidae	Gn_Lathiini_CR002 sp_BBCRWA_msp.084	na
	Lygaeidae	Nysius sp_BBCRWA_msp.040	na
	Lygaeidae	Nysius vinitor <sup>b</sup>	Rutherglen Bug
	Lygaeidae	Spilostethus sp_BBCRWA_msp.042	na
	Mesoveliidae	Mesovelia hungerfordi	na
	Miridae	Acaciacapsus sp_BBCRWA_msp.002	na
	Miridae	Creontiades dilutus <sup>b</sup>	Green Mirid
	Miridae	Decomia sp_BBCRWA_msp.101	na
	Miridae	Exaeretini sp_BBCRWA_msp.034	na
	Miridae	<i>Exocarpocoris</i> sp_BBCRWA_msp.005	na
	Miridae	Gn_'Bilbonotus'_CR001	na

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		sp_BBCRWA_msp.013 a	
	Miridae	Gn_' <i>Carenotus</i> '_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.038	na
	Miridae	Kallosmiris_CR001 sp_'solis'_msp.009	na
	Miridae	Kallosmiris_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.010 ª	na
	Miridae	Gn_' <i>Neosinghalesia</i> '_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.068	na
	Miridae	Gn_Austromirini_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.044 ª	na
	Miridae	Gn_Austromirini_CR002 sp_BBCRWA_msp.078	na
	Miridae	Gn_Austromirini_CR003 sp_BBCRWA_msp.093	na
	Miridae	Gn_CREMNGEN_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.140 a	na
	Miridae	Gn_LEUCOGEN_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.011 a	na
	Miridae	Gn_nr <i>_Auchenocrepis_</i> CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.172	na
	Miridae	Gn_nr <i>_Austromiris</i> _CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.055 ª	na
	Miridae	Gn_nr_ <i>Hypseloecus</i> _CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.026	na
	Miridae	Gn_ORTHO_CR003 sp_BBCRWA_msp.080	na
	Miridae	Gn_ORTHO_CR006 sp_BBCRWA_msp.082	na
	Miridae	Gn_ORTHOGEN_CR001 sp.BBCRWA_msp.095 ª	na
	Miridae	Gn_ORTHOGEN_002 spBBCRWA_msp.021	na
	Miridae	Gn_ORTHOGEN_CR002 sp_BBCRWA_msp.103	na
	Miridae	Gn_ORTHOGEN_CR004 sp_BBCRWA_msp.057	na
	Miridae	Gn_Orthotylinae_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.039	na
	Miridae	Gn_Orthotylini_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.023 ª	na
	Miridae	Gn_Phylinae_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.022 ª	na
	Miridae	Gn_Phylinae_CR002 sp_BBCRWA_msp.096 ª	na
	Miridae	Gn_ZANCGEN_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.035 ª	na
	Miridae	Gn_ZANCGEN_CR002 sp_BBCRWA_msp.036	na

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	Miridae	Gn_ZANCGEN_CR004 sp_BBCRWA_msp.037 <sup>a</sup>	na
	Miridae	<i>Myrmecoridea</i> sp_BBCRWA_msp.077 ª	na
	Miridae	<i>Oecophyllodes</i> sp_BBCRWA_msp.056 ª	na
	Miridae	Proteophylus sp_BBCRWA_msp.066	na
	Miridae	Rayieria sp_BBCRWA_msp.014 a	na
	Miridae	Singhalesia sp_BBCRWA_msp.070 ª	na
	Miridae	Singhalesia sp_BBCRWA_msp.097	na
	Miridae	Zanchius sp_BBCRWA_msp.081	na
	Nabidae	Nabis kinbergii	na
	Pachygronthidae	Stenophyella macreta	na
	Pentatomidae	Aplerotus grossi	na
	Pentatomidae	Aplerotus sp_BBCRWA_msp.045 a	na
	Pentatomidae	Asopinae sp_BBCRWA_msp.090	na
	Pentatomidae	Birna griggae	na
	Pentatomidae	<i>Cephaloplatus</i> sp_CRWA_msp.160	na
	Pentatomidae	Gn_Podopinae_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.092	na
	Pentatomidae	Menida sp_BBCRWA_msp.088	na
	Pentatomidae	Oechalia schellenbergii	na
	Pentatomidae	Oncocoris sp_ BBCRWA_msp.047	na
	Pentatomidae	Poecilometis nigriventris nigriventris	na
	Pentatomidae	Pseudaelia sp_BBCRWA_msp.072	na
	Pyrrhocoridae	Australodindymus nigroruber	na
	Reduviidae	Emesini sp_BBCRWA_msp.043	na
	Reduviidae	Gn_Harpactocorini_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.061	na
	Reduviidae	Gn_Harpactocorini_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.083	na
	Reduviidae	Gn_Reduviidae_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.074	na
	Reduviidae	Harpactocorini sp_BBCRWA_msp.059	na
	Reduviidae	Peirates sp_BBCRWA_msp.100	na
	Reduviidae	Poecilosphodrus sp_BBCRWA_msp.091	na
	Rhopalidae	Liorhyssus hyalinus	na
	Rhyparachromidae	Dieuches sp_BBCRWA_msp.019	na

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	Rhyparachromidae	Remaudiereana sp_BBCRWA_msp.073	na
	Saldidae	Pentacora leucographa	na
	Scutelleridae	Choerocoris paganus	na
	Thaumastocoridae	Gn_Thaumastocoridae_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.067	na
	Thaumastocoridae	Gn_Thaumastocoridae_CR001 sp_BBCRWA_msp.102	na
	Thaumastocoridae	Onymocoris stysi	na
	Tingidae	Diplocysta trilobata	na
	Tingidae	Lasiacantha sp_BBCRWA_msp.016 ª	na
	Tingidae	Lasiacantha sp_BBCRWA_msp.017 ª	na
	Tingidae	Malandiola sp_BBCRWA_msp.046	na
	Tingidae	Nethersia acaciaphila	na
	Tingidae	Nethersia mareeba	na
	Tingidae	Nethersia silveirae	na
	Tingidae	Nethersia sp_BBCRWA_msp.031	na
	Tingidae	Nethersia sp_BBCRWA_msp.058	na
	Tingidae	Oncophysa msp.033	na
	Tingidae	Paracopium sp_BBCRWA_msp.018 <sup>a</sup>	na
Spiders	Actinopodidae	Missulena sp.	na
	Anamidae	Aname sp.	na
	Araneidae	Argiope protensa	na
	Araneidae	Argiope trifasciata	na
	Araneidae	Austracantha minax	Jewel Spider
	Araneidae	Backobourkia collina	na
	Araneidae	Celaenia sp.	na
	Araneidae	Phonognatha 'graeffei?'	na
	Araneidae	Trichonephila plumipes	Humped Golden Orb-weaving Spider
	Barychelidae	Idiommata sp.	na
	Barychelidae	Synothele sp.	na
	Clubionidae	Clubiona sp.	na
	Ctenidae	Bengalla? sp.	na
	Deinopidae	Deinopis sp.	na
	Filistatidae	Wandella sp.	na
	Gnaphosidae	Anzacia? sp.	na
	Gnaphosidae	<i>Eilica</i> sp.	na
	Gnaphosidae	Nomindra leeuweni	na

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	Halonoproctidae	Conothele 'MYG673' a	na
	Idiopidae	Euoplos 'MYG672' a	na
	Lamponidae	Lamponata daviesae	na
	Lamponidae	Notsodipus sp.	na
	Lycosidae	Hoggicosa castanea	na
	Lycosidae	Venatrix arenaris	na
	Miturgidae	Miturgidae gen.nov.	na
	Miturgidae	Mituliodon tarantulinus	na
	Oonopidae	Opopaea sp.	na
	Oonopidae	Pelicinus sp.	na
	Pholcidae	Trichocyclus nigropunctatus	na
	Salticidae	'Menemerus?' 'bivittatus?'	na
	Salticidae	<i>'Thyene?</i> ' sp.	na
	Salticidae	Hypoblemum sp.	na
	Salticidae	Sandalodes joannae	na
	Salticidae	Zenodorus orbiculatus	na
	Selenopidae	Karaops sp.	na
-	Sparassidae	Neosparassus sp.	na
	Theridiidae	Steatoda sp.	na
-	Thomisidae	Stephanopis sp.	na
	Thomisidae	Thomisus spectabilis	na
-	Trochanteriidae	Trachyspina capensis	na
-	Zodariidae	<i>'Asteron</i> spp. grp'	na
	Zodariidae	Euasteron sp.	na
	Zodariidae	Neostorena sp.	na
	Zodariidae	Storena sinuosa	na
Scorpions	Buthidae	<i>Lychas</i> 'aitkeni spp. grp'	na
·	Buthidae	<i>Lychas</i> 'bituberculatus complex'	na
	Urodacidae	Urodacus sp.	na
	Urodacidae	Urodacus 'yaschenkoi spp. grp'	na
Pseudoscorpions	Chthoniidae	Austrochthonius sp.	na
	Chthoniidae	<i>Tyrannochthonius</i> sp.	na
	Garypidae	<i>Synsphyronus</i> 'sp. nov. Cape Range' <sup>a</sup>	na
-	Geogarypidae	Geogarypus taylori	na
	Olpiidae	Austrohorus sp.	na
	Olpiidae	Beierolpium sp.	na
	Olpiidae	Euryolpium sp.	na

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Centipedes and	Oryidae	Orphnaeus sp.	na
millipedes	Paradoxosomatidae	Boreohesperus capensis	na
	Scolopendridae	Cormocephalus turneri	na
	Scolopendridae	Ethmostigmus pachysoma	na
	Scolopendridae	Scolopendra laeta	na
Crabs, lobsters,	[Order Cumacea]	Cumacea sp.	na
shrimps and barnacles	[Order Harpacticoida]	Harpacticoida sp.	na
	[Order Myodocopida]	Myodocopida sp.	na
	Acartiidae	Acartiidae sp.	na
	Alpheidae	Alpheus lobidens	na
	Alpheidae	Alpheus pacificus	na
	Alpheidae	Alpheus strenuus	na
	Alpheidae	Alpheus sulcatus	na
	Alpheidae	Athanas parvus	na
	Alpheidae	Synalpheus ancistrorhynchus	na
	Alpheidae	Synalpheus comatularum	na
	Alpheidae	Synalpheus neomeris	na
	Anthuridae	Anthuridae sp.	na
	Archaeobalanidae	Acasta cf. flexuosa	na
	Archaeobalanidae	Acasta cf. folliculus	na
	Archaeobalanidae	Armatobalanus allium	na
	Archaeobalanidae	Conopea calceolus	na
	Archaeobalanidae	Conopea cf. willhearsti	na
	Archaeobalanidae	Conopea sp. BBCR01	na
	Archaeobalanidae	Conopea titani	na
	Archaeobalanidae	Euacasta sp. BBCR01	na
	Archaeobalanidae	Neoacasta cf. laevigata	na
	Archaeobalanidae	Pectinoacasta sculpturata	na
	Armadillidae	Buddelundia sp. BBCR01	na
	Balanidae	Amphibalanus poecilotheca	na
	Camptandriidae	Baruna trigranulum	na
	Camptandriidae	Paracleistostoma sp. BBCR01	na
	Carpiliidae	Carpilius convexus	Marbled Stone Crab
	Ceinidae	Ceina gerlachae	na
	Cirolanidae	Neocirolana hermitensis	na
	Corophiidae	Corophiidae sp.	na
	Cymothoidae	Renocila sp.	na
	Diogenidae	Calcinus latens	Hidden Hermit Crab

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	Diogenidae	Calcinus morgani	Morgan's Hermit Crab
	Diogenidae	Calcinus vachoni	na
	Diogenidae	Clibanarius virescens	Yellow-footed Hermit Crab
	Diogenidae	Dardanus cf. lagopodes	na
	Diogenidae	Dardanus crassimanus	Mauve-eyed Hermit
	Diogenidae	Dardanus lagopodes	Hairy Red Hermit Crab
	Diogenidae	Dardanus megistos	White-spotted Hermit Crab
	Diogenidae	Dardanus pedunculatus	Anemone Hermit Crab
	Diogenidae	Diogenes avarus	na
	Diogenidae	Diogenes cf. pallescens	na
	Diogenidae	Paguristes alegrias	na
	Diogenidae	Paguristes sp. BBCR01	na
	Diogenidae	Pseudopaguristes monoporus	Blue-orange Banded Hermit Crab
	Domeciidae	Cherusius? sp. BBCR01	na
	Dorippidae	Neodorippe callida	Leaf-porter Crab
	Dorippoidea	Paradorippe sp.	na
	Dromiidae	Cryptodromia sp.	na
	Epialtidae	Acanthonyx euryseroche	na
	Epialtidae	Huenia australis	na
	Epialtidae	Menaethius monoceros	One-horned Spider Crab
	Eriphiidae	Eriphia scabricula	Hairy Banded Crab
	Galatheidae	Galathea platycheles	na
	Gonodactylidae	Gonodactylellus dianae	na
	Grapsidae	Metopograpsus frontalis	na
	Hippolytidae	Hippolyte ventricosa	na
	Hippolytidae	Saron marmoratus	Marbled Shrimp
	Leucosiidae	Myra affinis	na
	Lichomolgidae	Lichomolgidae sp.	na
	Macrophthalmidae	Chaenostoma sp. BBCR01	na
	Macrophthalmidae	Macrophthalmus latreillei	na
	Majidae	Micippa philyra	na
	Majidae	Paranaxia serpulifera	na
	Majidae	Pseudomicippe banfieldi	na
	Majidae	Schizophrys aspera	Red Sea Toad
	Mictyridae	Mictyris occidentalis	Western Soldier Crab
	Mysidae	Haplostylus tenuicaudus	na
	Ocypodidae	Austruca mjoebergi	Mjöberg's Fiddler Crab
	Ocypodidae	Tubuca elegans	na
	Ocypodidae	Tubuca flammula	Flame-backed Fiddler Crab
	Oziidae	Epixanthus frontalis	na

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	Paguridae	Pagurus sp. BBCR01	na
	Palaemonidae	Coralliocaris viridis	na
	Palaemonidae	Periclimenaeus arabicus	na
	Palaemonidae	Periclimenes sp. BBCR01	na
	Palinuridae	Panulirus versicolor	Painted Rock Lobster
	Parthenopidae	Aulacolambrus diacanthus	na
	Penaeidae	Melicertus marginatus	Aloha Prawn
	Pilumnidae	Actumnus setifer	Short-haired Crab
	Pilumnidae	Glabropilumnus sp. BBCR01	na
	Pilumnidae	Pilumnus bleekeri	Hairy Crab
	Pilumnidae	Pilumnus cf. bleekeri	na
	Pilumnidae	Pilumnus vespertilio	Bad Hair Day Crab
	Porcellanidae	Lissoporcellana furcillata	na
	Porcellanidae	Lissoporcellana spinuligera	na
	Porcellanidae	Pachycheles sculptus	na
	Porcellanidae	Petrolisthes haplodactylus	na
	Porcellanidae	Petrolisthes haswelli	na
	Porcellanidae	Petrolisthes teres	na
	Portunidae	Cycloachelous orbitosinus	na
	Portunidae	Portunus pubescens	na
	Portunidae	Thalamita admete	na
	Portunidae	Xiphonectes tuberculosus	na
	Protosquillidae	Haptosquilla corrugata	na
	Protosquillidae	Haptosquilla stoliura	na
	Pyrgomatidae	Cantellius cf. albus	na
	Pyrgomatidae	Cantellius pallidus	na
	Pyrgomatidae	Darwiniella conjugatum	na
	Pyrgomatidae	Pyrgoma cancellatum	na
	Sesarmidae	Selatium cf. brockii	na
	Sesarmidae	Clistocoeloma sp. BBCR01 a	na
	Sesarmidae	Parasesarma hartogi	na
	Sesarmidae	Parasesarma holthuisi	na
	Sesarmidae	Parasesarma sp. BBCR01 a	na
	Sesarmidae	Sarmatium germaini	na
	Sphaeromatidae	Agostodina munta	na
	Sphaeromatidae	Sphaeroma terebrans	na
	Sphaeromatidae	Sphaeromatidae sp.	na
	Talitridae	Talitridae sp.	na
	Tetraclitidae	Neonrosella vitiata	na
	Tetraclitidae	Tetraclita squamosa	na

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	Tetraliidae	Tetralia nigrolineata	Bandit Crab
	Thalassinidae	Thalassina saetichelis	na
	Upogebiidae	Upogebia carinicauda	na
	Xanthidae	Atergatis floridus	Floral Egg Crab
	Xanthidae	Chlorodiella laevissima	na
	Xanthidae	Cymo melanodactylus	Black-fingered Coral Clinger
	Xanthidae	Etisus australis	na
	Xanthidae	Etisus electra	na
	Xanthidae	Paraxanthias cf. elegans	na
	Xanthidae	Paraxanthias elegans	na
	Xanthidae	Pilodius areolatus	Areolated Xanthid Crab
	Xanthidae	Platypodia cf. pseudogranulosa	na
	Xanthidae	Pseudoliomera helleri	na
	Xanthidae	Xanthias lamarcki	na
	Xanthidae	Xanthias sp. BBCR01	na
Iolluscs	Achatinidae	Eremopeas interioris	na
	Acteonidae	Acteon sp.	na
	Aglajidae	Chelidonura pallida	na
	Aplysiidae	Aplysia reticulata	na
	Bornellidae	<i>Bornella</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Bullidae	Bulla ampulla	na
	Caecidae	Caecum cf. folini	na
	Caecidae	Caecum sepimentum	na
	Caecidae	<i>Caecum</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Caecidae	<i>Caecum</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 2	na
	Caecidae	<i>Caecum</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 3	na
	Caecidae	<i>Caecum</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 4	na
	Caecidae	<i>Caecum</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 5	na
	Caecidae	Parastrophia challengeri	na
	Caecidae	<i>Parastrophia</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Calopidae	Calopidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Calopidae	Calopidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 2	na
	Camaenidae	Promonturconchum superbum	na

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	Camaenidae	Rhagada capensis	na
	Camaenidae	<i>Strepsitaurus</i> sp. indet. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Cardiidae	Tridacna noae	Noah's Giant Clam
	Cerithiidae	Cerithiidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Chromodorididae	Chromodoris aff. striatella	na
	Chromodorididae	Chromodoris colemani	na
	Chromodorididae	Glossodoris rufomarginata	na
	Chromodorididae	Goniobranchus cf. roboi	na
	Chromodorididae	Goniobranchus fidelis	na
	Chromodorididae	Hypselodoris cf. maculosa	na
	Chromodorididae	Mexichromis macropus	na
	Chromodorididae	Verconia romeri	na
	Cimidae	<i>Cima</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Cimidae	<i>Cima</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 2	na
	Cimidae	<i>Cima</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 3	na
	Cimidae	<i>Graphis</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Cuspidariidae	<i>Cuspidaria</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Cystiscidae	<i>Cystiscus</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Dentaliidae	Pictodentalium formosum	na
	Discodorididae	Discodoris lilacina	na
	Discodorididae	<i>Halgerda</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Discodorididae	Halgerda tessellata	na
	Discodorididae	Thordisa villosa	na
	Eatoniellidae	Eatoniellidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Eatoniellidae	Eatoniellidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 2	na
	Eulimidae	Eulimidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Eulimidae	Eulimidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 2	na
	Eulimidae	Eulimidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 3	na
	Eulimidae	Eulimidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 4	na
	Eulimidae	<i>Hemiliostraca</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Eulimidae	Thyca astericola	na

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	Gastrochaenidae	Gastrochaena cf. philippinensis	na
	Goniodorididae	Okenia cf. mellita	na
	Haminoeidae	<i>Haloa</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Laternulidae	Laternula anatina	na
	Leptochitonidae	Leptochitonidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	cf. Liotiidae	Liotiidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Litiopidae	Litiopidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Litiopidae	Styliferina goniochila	na
	Montacutidae	Montacutidae n. gen. n. sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1 ª	na
	Murchisonellidae	<i>Koloonella</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Murchisonellidae	Murchisonella cf. anabathron	na
	Murchisonellidae	<i>Murchisonella</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Mytilidae	Septifer cumingii	na
	Nassariidae	Nassariidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Nassariidae	Nassarius dorsatus	na
	Neomeniidae	Neomeniidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Philinidae	<i>Spiniphiline</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Phyllidiidae	Reticulidia fungia	na
	Plakobranchidae	Thuridilla gracilis	na
	Plakobranchidae	Thuridilla indopacifica	na
	Plakobranchidae	Thuridilla moebii	na
	Pleurobranchidae	Pleurobranchidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Polyceridae	Gymnodoris cf. inornata	na
	Pupillidae	Pupoides myoporinae	na
	Pyramidellidae	<i>Odostomia</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Pyramidellidae	Pyramidellidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Pyramidellidae	Pyramidellidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 2	na
	Pyramidellidae	Pyramidellidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 3	na
	Rhodopidae	<i>Rhodope</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1 ª	na
	Rissoellidae	Rissoellidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape	na

Group	Family	Species	Common name
		Range 1	
	Rissoinidae	Rissoina cf. ambigua	na
	Scaliolidae	<i>Scaliola</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Skeneidae	<i>Liotella</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Skeneidae	<i>Lodderena</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Skeneidae	<i>Skeneidae</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Spirostyliferinidae	Spirostyliferina lizardensis	na
	Spirostyliferinidae	<i>Spirostyliferina</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Strombidae	Strombidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Terebridae	<i>Terebra</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Tonnidae	Tonnidae sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Tritoniidae	Tritoniopsis elegans	na
	Triviidae	<i>Trivirostra</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Trochidae	Stomatella cf. impertusa	na
	Turbinidae	Astralium pileolum	na
	Velutinidae	<i>Lamellaria</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
	Veneridae	<i>Chione</i> sp. Bush Blitz Cape Range 1	na
Bryozoans	[Order Bryozoa]	Bryozoa sp.	na
	Candidae	Candidae sp.	na
	Catenicellidae	Orthoscuticella ventricosa cf.	na
	Phidoloporidae	Iodictyum phoeniceum cf.	na
Corals, jellyfish	Dendrophylliidae	Turbinaria peltata	na
and sea anemones	Ellisellidae	Dichotella sp.	na
anemones	Ellisellidae	Junceella fragilis	na
	Hydrozoa	Hydrozoa sp. 1	na
	Hydrozoa	Hydrozoa sp. 2	na
	Hydrozoa	Hydrozoa sp. 3	na
	Hydrozoa	Hydrozoa sp. 4	na
	Hydrozoa	Hydrozoa sp. 5	na
	Melithaeidae	Melithaea sp.	na
	Nephtheidae	Nephtheidae WAM Z88954 sp. 1	na
	Nephtheidae	Nephtheidae WAM Z88959 sp. 2	na
	Pennatulidae	Pteroeides sp.	na

Group	Family	Species	Common name
	Plexauridae	Euplexaura sp.WAM1 cf.	na
	Plexauridae	Euplexaura sp.WAM4 cf.	na
	Plexauridae	Paracis sp.	na
	Plexauridae	Paraplexaura sp.	na
	Subergorgiidae	<i>Subergorgia</i> sp.	na
	Subergorgiidae	Subergorgia suberosa	na
Comb jellies	[Phylum Ctenophora]	Ctenophora sp.	na
ponges	Agelasidae	Agelas mauritiana	na
	Agelasidae	Amphinomia sulphurea	na
	Aplysinellidae	Dendrilla sp. PB1	na
	Aplysinidae	Aplysina sp. TB1	na
	Aplysinidae	Aplysina sp. WAM1 cf.	na
	Axinellidae	Axinella aruensis Type II	na
	Axinellidae	Axinella sp. NW1 cf.	na
	Axinellidae	Cymbastela stipitata	na
	Axinellidae	Phakellia sp. Ng6	na
	Biemnidae	Biemna sp. WAM2 cf.	na
	Callyspongiidae	Arenosclera sp. WAM1	na
	Callyspongiidae	<i>Callyspongia (Callyspongia)</i> sp. Bb1 ª	na
	Callyspongiidae	<i>Callyspongia (Callyspongia)</i> sp. Bb2 ª	na
	Callyspongiidae	<i>Callyspongia (Callyspongia)</i> sp. KMB4 cf.	na
	Callyspongiidae	Callyspongia (Cladochalina) subarmigera	na
	Callyspongiidae	Callyspongia (Toxochalina) sp. WAM2	na
	Chalinidae	Haliclona (Gellius) cymaeformis	na
	Chalinidae	Haliclona (Reniera) sp. Bb1 ª	na
	Chalinidae	Haliclona (Reniera) sp. TB1	na
	Chalinidae	Haliclona (Reniera) sp. WAM10	na
	Chondrillidae	Chondrilla australiensis	na
	Chondropsidae	Chondropsis kirkii	na
	Chondropsidae	Chondropsis sp. WAM1	na
	[Class Calcarea]	Calcarea sp. Bb1 <sup>a</sup>	na
	Clionaidae	Cliona orientalis	na
	Clionaidae	Pione velans	na
	Coelosphaeridae	Coelosphaera (Coelosphaera) sp. SS3	na
	Crambreidae	Monanchora sp. Ng1	na

Group	Family	Species	Common name
	Dendoricellidae	Dendoricella sp. Bb1 a	na
	Dictyonellidae	Acanthella pulcherrima	na
	Dysideidae	Dysidea sp. WAM3	na
	Hemiasterellidae	Axos flabelliformis	na
	Hemiasterellidae	Liosina granularis	na
	Irciniidae	Psammocinia bulbosa	na
	Irciniidae	Sarcotragus sp. Bb1 a	na
	Microcionidae	Clathria (Thalysias) reinwardti	na
	Mycalidae	Mycale (Aegogropila) sp. WAM1	na
	Mycalidae	Mycale sp. Bb1 a	na
	Niphatidae	Amphimedon paraviridis	na
	Petrosiidae	Neopetrosia chaliniformis	na
	Petrosiidae	Petrosia sp.WAM2 cf.	na
	Petrosiidae	Xestospongia sp.WAM1	na
	Petrosiidae	Xestospongia sp.WAM3	na
	Phloeodictyidae	Siphonodictyon sp. KMB1	na
	Polymastidae	Polymastia sp. SS5 cf.	na
	Psudoceratinidae	Pseudoceratina verrucosa	na
	Raspailiidae	Echinodictyum clathrioides	na
	Raspailiidae	Ectyoplasia vannus	na
	Raspailiidae	Raspailia (Clathriodendron) keriontria	na
	Spirastrellidae	Spirastrella sp. NR1	na
	Spongiidae	Spongia sp. Bb1 ª	na
	Thorectidae	Hyrtios sp. Bb1 a	na
	Thorectidae	Luffariella sp. Bb1 a	na
	Thorectidae	Phyllospongia papyracea	na
	Thorectidae	Phyllospongia sp. WAM	na

**a** Putative new species. **b** Introduced and/or pest species. **c** Listed as threatened under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Commonwealth). **d** Listed as threatened under the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* (Western Australia). **na** Not available.

### Table A2 List of flora species recorded

Group	Family	Species	Common name
/ascular plants	Acanthaceae	Dicladanthera forrestii	na
	Apocynaceae	Cynanchum viminale subsp. australe	Caustic Bush
	Apocynaceae	Marsdenia australis	na
	Arecaceae	Livistona alfredii	Millstream Palm
	Asparagaceae	Acanthocarpus verticillatus	na
	Asparagaceae	Acanthocarpus humilis	na
	Asphodelaceae	Aloe vera var. officinalis ª	na
	Asteraceae	Olearia ?dampieri	na
	Asteraceae	<i>Olearia</i> sp. Kennedy Range (G.Byrne 66) WA Herbarium	na
	Asteraceae	Pluchea dentex	na
	Bignoniaceae	Tecoma stans <sup>a</sup>	na
	Boraginaceae	Halgania cyanea	Rough Halgania
	Boraginaceae	Heliotropium ovalifolium	na
	Boraginaceae	Trichodesma zeylanicum	Camel Bush
	Celastraceae	Stackhousia umbellata	na
	Chenopodiaceae	Dysphania cristata	na
	Chenopodiaceae	Rhagodia preissii subsp. obovata	na
	Chenopodiaceae	Threlkeldia diffusa	Coastal Bonefruit
	Colchicaceae	Wurmbea odorata	na
	Commelinaceae	Commelina ensifolia	Wandering Jew
	Convolvulaceae	Ipomoea yardiensis	Yardie Morning Glory
	Convolvulaceae	Ipomoea costata	Rock Morning Glory
	Convolvulaceae	Ipomoea muelleri	Poison Morning Glory
	Cyperaceae	Cyperus vaginatus	Stiffleaf Sedge
	Dilleniaceae	Hibbertia capensis	na
	Dilleniaceae	Hibbertia spicata	na
	Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia boophthona	Gascoyne Spurge
	Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia drummondii	Caustic Weed
	Fabaceae	Acacia arida	na
	Fabaceae	Acacia bivenosa	na
	Fabaceae	Acacia colei	na
	Fabaceae	Acacia coriacea	Wirewood
	Fabaceae	Acacia coriacea subsp. coriacea	na
	Fabaceae	Acacia gregorii	na
	Fabaceae	Acacia ligulata	na
	Fabaceae	Acacia pyrifolia	Ranji Bush
	Fabaceae	Acacia ryaniana	na
	Fabaceae	Acacia sclerosperma	Limestone Wattle
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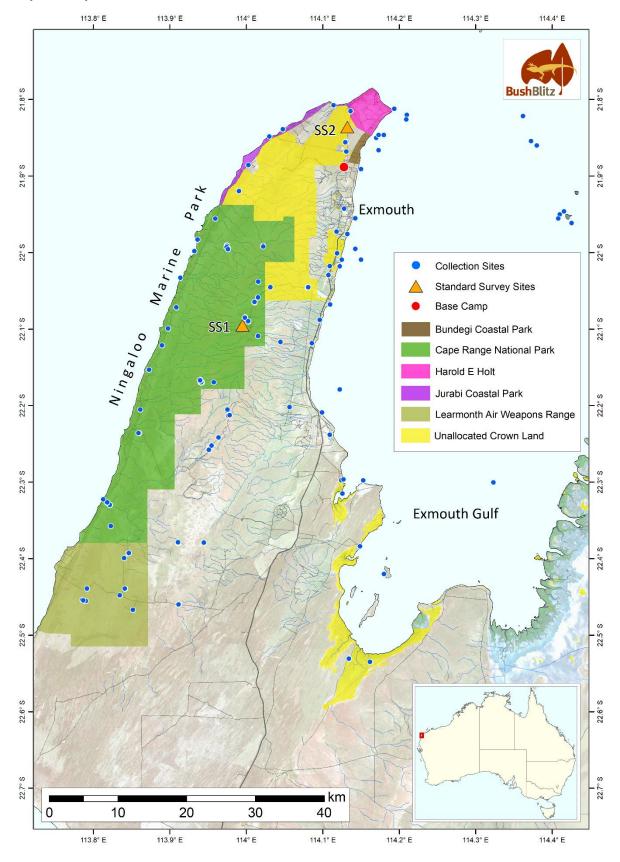
Group	Family	Species	Common name
	Fabaceae	Acacia spathulifolia	na
	Fabaceae	Acacia stellaticeps	na
	Fabaceae	Acacia tetragonophylla	Kurara
	Fabaceae	Albizia lebbeck ª	na
	Fabaceae	Crotalaria cunninghamii	Green Birdflower
	Fabaceae	Daviesia pleurophylla	na
	Fabaceae	Indigofera boviperda	na
	Fabaceae	Indigofera boviperda subsp. boviperda	na
	Fabaceae	Indigofera chamaeclada subsp. pubens	na
	Fabaceae	Leptosema macrocarpum	na
	Fabaceae	Rhynchosia minima	Rhynchosia
	Fabaceae	Senna glutinosa	na
	Fabaceae	Swainsona formosa	Stuart Desert Pea (Black eye)
	Fabaceae	Swainsona formosa	Stuart Desert Pea (White Eye)
	Geraniaceae	Erodium cygnorum	Blue Heronsbill
	Goodeniaceae	Dampiera incana	Hoary Dampiera
	Goodeniaceae	Goodenia cusackiana	na
	Goodeniaceae	Scaevola cunninghamii	na
	Goodeniaceae	Scaevola tomentosa	Raggedleaf Fanflower
	Goodeniaceae	Scaevola spinescens	Currant Bush
	Gyrostemonaceae	Gyrostemon ramulosus	Corkybark
	Hemerocallidaceae	Tricoryne corynothecoides	na
	Lamiaceae	Clerodendrum tomentosum var. lanceolatum	na
	Lamiaceae	Quoya loxocarpa	na
	Lamiaceae	Vitex trifolia ª	na
	Loranthaceae	Amyema preissii	Wireleaf mistletoe
	Malvaceae	Brachychiton gregorii	Desert Kurrajong
	Malvaceae	Hannafordia quadrivalvis	na
	Malvaceae	Hannafordia quadrivalvis subsp. recurva	na
	Malvaceae	Hibiscus sturtii	Sturt's Hibiscus
	Malvaceae	Hibiscus sturtii var. truncatus	na
	Myrtaceae	Beaufortia sprengelioides	na
	Myrtaceae	Calothamnus borealis subsp. borealis	na
	Myrtaceae	<i>Calytrix</i> sp. Learmonth	na
	Myrtaceae	Corymbia opaca	na
	Myrtaceae	Eucalyptus xerothermica	na
	Myrtaceae	Melaleuca cardiophylla	Tangling Melaleuca
	Myrtaceae	Thryptomene dampieri	na

Group	Family	Species	Common name
	Olacaceae	Jasminum didymum	na
	Olacaceae	Olax aurantia	na
	Pittosporaceae	Pittosporum phillyreoides	Weeping Pittosporum
	Plantaginaceae	Stemodia sp.	na
	Plumbaginaceae	Plumbago zeylanica	Native Plumbago
	Poaceae	Cenchrus ciliaris ª	Buffel Grass
	Poaceae	Dactyloctenium radulans	Button Grass
	Poaceae	Eragrostis lanipes	Creeping Wanderrie
	Poaceae	<i>Eragrostis</i> sp.	na
	Poaceae	Paspalidium clementii	Clements Paspalidium
	Poaceae	Spinifex longifolius	Beach Spinifex
	Poaceae	Triodia angusta	na
	Poaceae	Triodia basedowii	Lobed Spinifex
	Poaceae	Triodia epactia	na
	Poaceae	Triodia wiseana	Limestone Spinifex
	Proteaceae	Banksia ashbyi	Ashby's Banksia
	Proteaceae	Banksia ashbyi subsp. boreoscaia	na
	Proteaceae	Grevillea eriostachya	Flame Grevillea
	Proteaceae	Grevillea stenobotrya	na
	Proteaceae	Grevillea variifolia	na
	Proteaceae	Grevillea variifolia subsp. bundera	na
	Proteaceae	Hakea stenophylla	na
	Proteaceae	Hakea lorea	Witinti
	Santalaceae	Exocarpos aphyllus	Leafless Ballart
	Santalaceae	Exocarpos sparteus	Broom Ballart
	Santalaceae	Santalum spicatum	Sandalwood
	Santalaceae	Santalum lanceolatum	Northern Sandalwood
	Sapindaceae	Diplopeltis ?eriocarpa	na
	Scrophulariaceae	Eremophila longifolia	na
	Scrophulariaceae	Eremophila sp.	na
	Solanaceae	Solanum lasiophyllum	na
	Surianaceae	Stylobasium spathulatum	Pebble Bush
	Thymelaeaceae	Pimelea ammocharis	na
	Typhaceae	Typha domingensis	Bulrush
	Zygophyllaceae	Tribulus macrocarpus	na

a Introduced and pest species. na Not available.

### **Appendix B: Collection sites**

#### Map B1 Map of collection sites



# Glossary

Term	Definition
AFD	Australian Faunal Directory
ALA	Atlas of Living Australia
Apomictic	A plant that is able to reproduce asexually without fertilisation
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
DBCA	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (WA)
EPBC Act	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Commonwealth)
Introduced	Not indigenous; not native to the area in which it now occurs.
Karstic	An area of irregular limestone in which erosion has produced fissures, sinkholes, underground streams, and caverns.
Lineage	A sequence of species each of which is considered to have evolved from its predecessor.
Pest species	A species that has the potential to have a negative environmental, social or economic impact.
Putative new species	An unnamed species that, as far as can be ascertained, was identified as a new species as a direct result of this Bush Blitz.
Range extension	Increase in the known distribution or area of occurrence of a species.
Symbiotic	Involving interaction between 2 different organisms living in close physical association.
Taxon (plural taxa)	A member of any particular taxonomic group (e.g. a species, genus, family).
Taxonomy	The categorisation and naming of species. The science of identifying and naming species, as well as grouping them based on their relatedness.
Threatened	Fauna or flora that are listed under Section 178 of the EPBC Act (or equivalent State legislation) in any one of the following categories – extinct, extinct in the wild, critically endangered, endangered, vulnerable, conservation dependent.
Undescribed taxon	A taxon (usually a species) that has not yet been formally described and named.
Vascular plants	A lineage of plants that possess well-developed veins (vascular tissue) in their stems, roots and leaves. Vascular plants include the majority of familiar land plants: flowering plants, ferns, conifers, cycads and fern allies, but not mosses, liverworts or algae.
Vouchers (voucher specimens)	Any specimen, usually a dead animal or preserved plant sample, that serves as a basis of study and is retained as a reference.

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