



# EucMedia

Hello, and welcome to EucMedia 5.

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## Pangarinda Botanic Garden

Every now and then as they say, you come across a special native garden. Well, I came across one, not in WA but on the banks of the Murray River, at Wellington in South Australia. Special I'll say, with loads of WA species on display.





*Eucalyptus pachyphylla*, Pangarinda Botanic Garden.



*Eucalyptus alatissima*, Pangarinda Botanic Garden.



Pangarinda Botanic Garden, Wellington, south-west of Adelaide on the River Murray.

Known as Pangarinda Botanic Garden and open to the public, if you're over that way, make sure it's on your agenda. Outstanding it is, presenting inspiration to any of our WA shires that wish to do similarly. Even had royal hakeas (*Hakea victoria*) and the very rare *Eucalyptus brandiana* from WA's Fitzgerald River National Park.

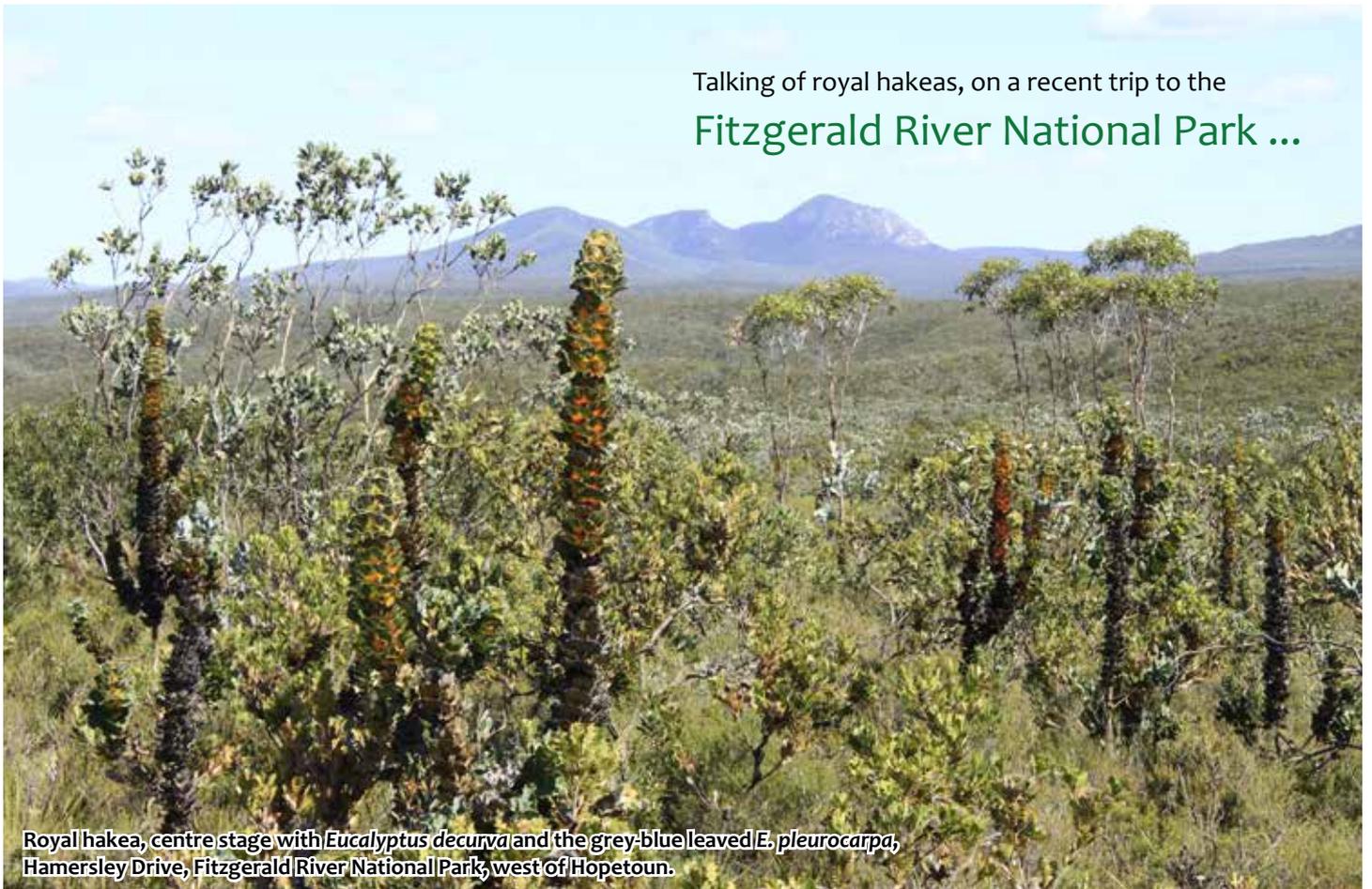


*Hakea victoria*, Pangarinda Botanic Garden.



*Eucalyptus brandiana*, Pangarinda Botanic Garden.

Talking of royal hakeas, on a recent trip to the  
Fitzgerald River National Park ...



Royal hakea, centre stage with *Eucalyptus decurva* and the grey-blue leaved *E. pleurocarpa*, Hamersley Drive, Fitzgerald River National Park, west of Hopetoun.



*Eucalyptus pleurocarpa*, East Mt Barren, Fitzgerald River National Park, west of Hopetoun.



Late autumn, early winter,  
our eucalypts display a brilliant range of  
**bark colours,**  
spectacularly so in the Goldfield Regions.



*Eucalyptus salmonophloia*, Cable Haul Road, Great Victoria Desert.

## *Eucalyptus synandra*

Around Christmas 2015, I received some wonderful images of the very rare and special *Eucalyptus synandra*, taken by Pedro Sippe from Mukinbudin. The images were taken on a private farm in the far north-eastern wheatbelt with these populations of *E. synandra* previously unknown.

Great work Pedro.



## Eucalypt taxonomy



Special thanks to [Ian Roberts](#), an exceptional botanical and bird artist from Medika Gallery in Blyth, SA, for cultivating and nurturing 170 different seedlings from the complex eucalypt group *Eucalyptus* series *Porantherae*. The seedlings of the group are quite diagnostic and as such four seedlings of each were selected to assist with plant identification/determination.



## Warrdagga Hill

This autumn and early winter, many of our special granite rock dwelling eucalypts have been flowering profusely; definitely worth going for a drive as wildflower enthusiasts, Rob & Maureen Skeet will attest.



Minniritchi bark of *Eucalyptus educta*.  
Photo: Rob & Maureen Skeet.



Maureen Skeet inspecting *Eucalyptus educta*.  
Photo: Rob & Maureen Skeet.



The conspicuous grey foliage of *Eucalyptus educta* at impressive Warrdagga Hill, south-west of Paynes Find.  
Photo: Rob & Maureen Skeet.

## Rare eucalypts

During April did a quick trip to re-acquaint myself with one of the very rare eucalypts, *Eucalyptus jutsonii* subsp. *kobela*, located to the north-east of Perenjori in the near northern Pastoral region. Whilst there, I came across what I believe is a mallee fowl nest; 2.5 metres across.



Mallee fowl workings.



Only two small populations are known of *Eucalyptus jutsonii* subsp. *kobela*, almost camouflaged here against native acacia species.

Any comments or questions,  
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Happy eucalypting!

Regards, Malcolm French



*Eucalyptus educta*