

# Waratah and other Proteaceae Walkabout KWG

Many members of the plant family Proteaceae are growing in Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden. They have tubular flowers with parts in multiples of four and a superior ovary with one chamber. Style is simple and there are four stamens. The individual flowers are often arranged together in groups called inflorescences. Fuller descriptions can be found in “notes” on our Walks & Talks page Australian Plants Society North Shore Group website: <https://austplants.com.au/North-Shore/> Excellent images can be found on the Hornsby Library website: [www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) under heading: eLibrary then find Hornsby Herbarium. Detailed botanical descriptions are given on the PlantNET website: <https://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/>



*Telopea speciosissima:*  
“Waratah”

Dense, globular flowerhead cupped in prominent red bracts leathery, irregular-toothed leaves.



*Lomatia myricoides*  
“River Lomatia”

Small yellow-green flowers long, narrow leaves on drooping branches.



*Lomatia silaifolia*  
“Crinkle bush”

Small white flowers held above stiff, multi-dissected leaves



*Lambertia formosa*  
“Mountain Devil”

Tubular flowers in groups of 7 stiff, spiky leaves in whorls of 3 small, horned, woody fruit.



*Xylomelum pyriforme* flower & fruit  
“Woody Pear”

Small paired brown flowers in dense spikes. Leaves opposite, juvenile leaves toothed.



Massive, dense, pear-shaped woody fruit with two seeds.



*Conospermum ericifolium*

White flowers short, fine leaves

hairy nut



*Conospermum longifolium*

“Long Leaf Smoke Bush”  
White flowers (grey bud) long, wide leaves





*Persoonia levis*  
 “Broad-leaved Geebung”  
 Yellow flowers  
 broad, smooth leaves  
 fruit a spherical drupe



*Persoonia pinifolia*  
 “Pine-leaved Geebung”  
 Yellow flowers  
 slender leaves  
 fruit a spherical drupe



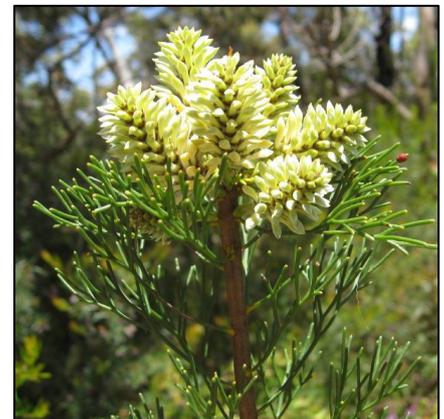
*Persoonia lanceolata*  
 “Lance Leaf Geebung”  
 Yellow flowers  
 lance-shaped leaves  
 fruit a spherical drupe



*Isopogon anemonifolius*  
 “Broad-leaf Drumsticks”  
 Spherical flowerhead/fruit  
 divided, flat leaves



*Isopogon anethifolius*  
 “Narrow-leaf Drumsticks”  
 Spherical flowerhead/fruit  
 divided, narrow leaves



*Petrophile pulchella*  
 “Conesticks”  
 Ovoidal flowerhead/fruit  
 divided, narrow leaves

## PROTEACEAE Walk Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden

**Caley’s Pavilion:** *Lomatia myricoides*, *Telopea* “Shady Lady”, *Lambertia formosa*, *Lomatia silaifolia*

**Solander Trail east:** *Lomatia silaifolia*, *Persoonia levis*

**Browns Trail to Lamberts Clearing:** *Telopea speciosissima*, *Persoonia levis*, *Lambertia formosa*,  
*Xylomelum pyriforme*

**The Knoll Garden:** *Isopogon anemonifolius*, *Lomatia silaifolia*, *Petrophile pulchella*, *Persoonia pinifolia*

**Solander Trail:** *Persoonia levis*, *Petrophile pulchella*, *Isopogon anethifolius*, *Isopogon anemonifolius*,  
*Lomatia silaifolia*, *Persoonia pinifolia*, *Conospermum longifolium*, *Lambertia formosa*,

**Cunningham’s Rest:** *Persoonia levis*

**Smith’s Track to Bidwill Clearing:** *Persoonia lanceolata*, *Isopogon anethifolius*, *Lambertia formosa*

**(Senses Track:** *Lomatia silaifolia*, *Persoonia levis*, *Petrophile pulchella*)

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