



## McGregor Museum Kimberley

### Botany Department: General Enquiries

Herbaria can provide information on plant names, distribution, conservation status, endemism, local names, local use and economic importance. They provide information to nature conservation agencies, university students, and learners, Environmental Impact Assessment consultants, specialist societies, farmers, doctors and veterinary surgeons, pharmacists and members of the public. A fee is charged for botanical information where applicable. Please make prior enquiries with the herbarium curator. Contact details are listed below. Plant identifications are undertaken by our herbarium, for which there is a charge per specimen. Prior arrangements and enquiries should be made with the herbarium curator, details listed below.

#### **Plant specimens send in to be identified should meet the following basic requirements:**

- Before collecting, remember that you need a permit from the relevant provincial nature conservation department to collect plants.
- Where possible the whole plant should be collected, including the fruits, flowers or seeds. Without these, plants can seldom be accurately identified.
- Plants should be pressed as soon as possible after collecting to prevent wilting.
- Record information for each plant collected, such as the habitat, soil type, collector's name, date, precise locality, flower colour, etc. This is used for a herbarium label that is mounted with the plant on a herbarium sheet.

Please contact the herbarium curator for further guidelines on the collection, preparation and submission of specimens, charges for plant identifications and botanical surveys, rates for botanical surveys and specialist input for Environmental Impact Assessments and details on the cost of plant identifications at the KMG Herbarium.

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