

Grass-tree *Xanthorrhoea* sp.

When to look:

Year-round. Flowering occurs 2-3 times a year and following fire events in some species

Perennial tree-like plant. Trunk resembles a tree above ground or exists under the earth's surface, is woody and made up of tiny packed leaves. Flowers borne as flower clusters on a cylindrical and spike-like woody axis.

Similar species:

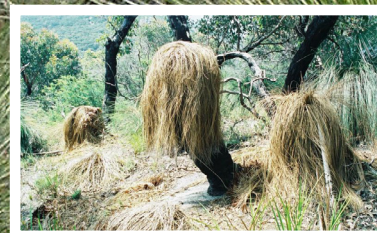
Can be distinguished from Lomandras and other sedges by its fronds which are not flat (while sedges are) and don't grow in a fan-shape. View the ClimateWatch species' page or ClimateWatch app for information on similar-looking *Xanthorrhoea* species. If known, add species-level details in 'additional comments'



Leaves clustered in a terminal crown, 30-140 cm long, rhombic (kite-shaped) to wedge-shaped in cross-section, tapering at the ends.

Phytophthora
Root Rot causes death in this species.

Help STOP the spread of Phytophthora - stay on the track and clean boots before and after entering bushland



Signs of poor health: mild to dominant yellowing of the foliage (note: some browning of foliage at the base of the grass-tree is natural).

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