

## PLANT field guide

## **Grey Mangrove** Avicennia marina



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## When to look:

Year-round. Flowering may occur year-round. Propagules may fall year-round

Tall to small tree or shrub to 25 m height, often c. 5 m.

> **Pneumatophores** (erect aerial roots specialised for gaseous exchange) are numerous and project upward from shallow lateral roots



Leaves leathery, glossy green, oval, pointed, grey underside

Dense clusters of yellow-orange or golden flowers



Fruiting pod pale green, flattened, germinating before fruit falls. Pubescent seed coat encloses a solitary propagule with two large fleshy seed leaves

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