



## Bush Tucker Trail at Townsville Town Common

### Teacher Information Sheet 5

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#### Overview

The Town Common is one of Townsville's Conservation Parks, and internationally significant wetlands. As well as having areas to view birds and other wildlife, it also houses some great examples of Townsville's local native plants and habitat types. Aboriginal people used the many plants found at the Common for food, medicinal and decorative purposes.

#### Activities

- » Students will be guided through an interpretive walk around the Bush Tucker Trail at the Town Common
- » Students will be introduced to some of the plants once used by the local indigenous population who habited the Common
- » Students learn to identify some of Townsville's useful local native plants

#### Bush Tucker Facts

- » Many local native plants have medicinal or food properties that are useful to us even today
- » Many Australian bush foods are now used in gourmet cooking
- » The Macadamia nut is probably Australia's most famous bush food and is exported to many overseas countries.

#### Web Resources

[http://www.soe-townsville.org/town\\_common/foodtrail/](http://www.soe-townsville.org/town_common/foodtrail/)  
<http://www.teachers.ash.org.au/bushtucker/>  
<http://www.bushtucker.com.au/>





**Duration**

1 hr – plus travel time (approx)

**Max Students**

1 class

**What's Required**

Transport, hats, sunscreen, insect repellent, closed in shoes, water, energy

**Contact**

Townsville City Council  
 Integrated Sustainability Services  
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**Core Learning Outcomes**

Science	SOSE
SS 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, D1.4 EB 1.1, 1.3, D1.4 LL 1.1, 1.3, D1.4	PS 1.1, 1.2, D1.6 CI 1.3, SRP 1.1
EB 2.3, LL 2.3, D2.5	PS 2.1, D2.8 SRP 2.1
SS 3.1 EB 3.3 LL 3.1,	PS 3.1 CI 3.1 SRP 3.1
SS 4.1, EB 4.3 LL 4.3 LL DB6.3	PS D4.6

