

EVC/Bioregion Benchmark for Vegetation Quality Assessment

East Gippsland Uplands bioregion

EVC 35: Tableland Damp Forest

Description:

Tall eucalypt forest to 30 m tall with an understorey dominated by a tall, diverse shrub layer of broad-leaved shrubs and heaths with sometimes a scattering of tree-ferns. The ground layer is dominated by a variety of herbs and graminoids. Occurs on topographically protected south-facing slopes and occasionally in gully heads on northern or western slopes in low relief montane areas.

Large trees:

Species	DBH(cm)	#/ha
<i>Eucalyptus</i> spp.	90 cm	20 / ha

Tree Canopy Cover:

%cover	Character Species	Common Name
40%	<i>Eucalyptus croajingolensis</i>	Gippsland Peppermint
	<i>Eucalyptus dalrympleana</i>	Mountain Gum
	<i>Eucalyptus denticulata</i>	Errinundra Shining Gum

Understorey:

Life form	#Spp	%Cover	LF code
Immature Canopy Tree		5%	IT
Understorey Tree or Large Shrub	3	20%	T
Medium Shrub	7	20%	MS
Small Shrub	2	10%	SS
Large Herb	2	5%	LH
Medium Herb	8	15%	MH
Small or Prostrate Herb	2	15%	SH
Large Tufted Graminoid	1	5%	LTG
Large Non-tufted Graminoid	1	1%	LNG
Medium to Small Tufted Graminoid	3	15%	MTG
Medium to Tiny Non-tufted Graminoid	1	5%	MNG
Ground Fern	2	5%	GF
Scrambler/Climber	1	1%	SC
Bryophytes/Lichens	na	20%	BL

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LF Code	Species typical of at least part of EVC range	Common Name
T	<i>Telopea oreades</i>	Gippsland Waratah
T	<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	Blackwood
MS	<i>Persoonia silvatica</i>	Forest Geebung
MS	<i>Tasmannia xerophila</i> ssp. <i>robusta</i>	Errinundra Pepper
MS	<i>Tasmannia lanceolata</i>	Mountain Pepper
MS	<i>Leucopogon maccraei</i>	Subalpine Beard-heath
SS	<i>Leucopogon hookeri</i>	Mountain Beard-heath
LH	<i>Senecio linearifolius</i>	Fireweed Groundsel
LH	<i>Brachyscome aculeata</i>	Branching Daisy
LH	<i>Drymophila cyanocarpa</i>	Turquoise Berry
MH	<i>Viola hederacea</i> sensu Willis (1972)	Ivy-leaf Violet
MH	<i>Lagenophora stipitata</i>	Common Bottle-daisy
MH	<i>Acaena novae-zelandiae</i>	Bidgee-widgee
MH	<i>Gonocarpus tetragynus</i>	Common Raspwort
SH	<i>Leptinella fillicula</i>	Mountain Cotula
SH	<i>Lobelia pedunculata</i> s.l.	Matted Pratia
LTG	<i>Deyeuxia quadriseta</i>	Reed Bent-grass
LNG	<i>Tetrarrhena juncea</i>	Forest Wire-grass
MTG	<i>Dianella tasmanica</i>	Tasman Flax-lily
MTG	<i>Dichelachne rara</i>	Common Plume-grass
MTG	<i>Luzula meridionalis</i> var. <i>flaccida</i>	Common Woodrush
MNG	<i>Microlaena stipoides</i> var. <i>stipoides</i>	Weeping Grass
GF	<i>Pteridium esculentum</i>	Austral Bracken
GF	<i>Polystichum proliferum</i>	Mother Shield-fern
SC	<i>Clematis aristata</i>	Mountain Clematis

Recruitment:

Continuous

Organic Litter:

50 % cover

Logs:

30 m/0.1 ha.

Weediness:

There are no consistent weeds in this EVC.

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