

Cassowary Food Trees

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Cassowary data based on published sources

LEGEND: fsw = free standing, woody v = vine other = cycads, palms, cordylines etc

Species known to be eaten by the Cassowary	Family	Common Name	Life Form	Large Fruits (trees) 1 = known to be eaten and mostly dispersed by Southern Cassowary
Pleiogynium timorense	Anacardiaceae	Burdekin Plum	fsw	0
Semecarpus australiensis	Anacardiaceae	Tar Tree	fsw	1
Cananga odorata	Annonaceae	Macassar Oil Tree	fsw	0
Goniothalamus australis	Annonaceae	China Pine	fsw	0
Mitrephora diversifolia	Annonaceae	Flying Duck Flower	fsw	0
Polyalthia michaelii	Annonaceae	Currywood	fsw	0
Pseuduvaria froggattii	Annonaceae	Pseuduvaria	fsw	0
Alyxia orophila	Apocynaceae	Chain Fruit	fsw	0
Alyxia spicata	Apocynaceae	Chain Fruit	fsw	0
Cerbera floribunda	Apocynaceae	Cassowary Plum	fsw	1
Cerbera inflata	Apocynaceae	Grey Milkwood	fsw	1
Delarbrea michieana	Araliaceae	Blue Nun	fsw	0
Mackinlaya confusa	Araliaceae	Mackinlaya	fsw	0
Mackinlaya macrosciadea	Araliaceae	Blue Umbrella	fsw	0
Canarium muelleri	Burseraceae	Qld Elemi Tree	fsw	0
Canarium vitiense	Burseraceae	Canarium	fsw	0
Trema orientalis*	Cannabaceae	Poison Peach	fsw	0
Citronella smythii	Cardiopteridaceae	Northern Silky Beech	fsw	0
Siphonodon membranaceus	Celastraceae	Ivorywood	fsw	0
Parinari nonda	Chrysobalanaceae	Nonda Plum	fsw	1
Garcinia gibbsiae	Clusiaceae	Mountain Mangosteen	fsw	0
Terminalia arenicola	Combretaceae	Brown Damson	fsw	1
Terminalia catappa	Combretaceae	Sea Almond	fsw	1
Corynocarpus cribbianus	Corynocarpaceae	Cribbwood	fsw	1
Davidsonia pruriens	Cunoniaceae	Davidson's Plum	fsw	0
Schizomeria whitei	Cunoniaceae	Crabapple	fsw	0
Diospyros hebecarpa	Ebenaceae	Scrub Ebony	fsw	0
Aceratium doggrellii	Elaeocarpaceae	Buff Carabeen	fsw	0
Aceratium ferrugineum	Elaeocarpaceae	Rusty Carabeen	fsw	0
Aceratium megalospermum	Elaeocarpaceae	Creek Aceratium	fsw	0
Aceratium sericoleopsis	Elaeocarpaceae	Silky Aceratium	fsw	0
Elaeocarpus bancroftii	Elaeocarpaceae	Kuranda Quandong	fsw	1
Elaeocarpus culminicola	Elaeocarpaceae	Quandong	fsw	0
Elaeocarpus eumundi	Elaeocarpaceae	Eumundi Quandong	fsw	0
Elaeocarpus ferruginiflorus	Elaeocarpaceae	Rusty Leaf Quandong	fsw	0
Elaeocarpus foveolatus	Elaeocarpaceae	Northern Quandong	fsw	0
Elaeocarpus grandis**	Elaeocarpaceae	Silver Quandong, Blue fig	fsw	0
Elaeocarpus johnsonii	Elaeocarpaceae	Johnson's Quandong	fsw	1
Elaeocarpus stellaris	Elaeocarpaceae	Star Quandong	fsw	1
Peripentadenia mearsii	Elaeocarpaceae	Buff Quandong	fsw	0
Sloanea macbrydei	Elaeocarpaceae	Northern Yellow Carabeen	fsw	0
Antidesma erostre	Euphorbiaceae	Wild Currant	fsw	0
Fontainea picosperma	Euphorbiaceae	Fontain's Blushwood	fsw	1
Mallotus mollissimus	Euphorbiaceae	Woolly Mallotus	fsw	0
Scaevola taccada	Goodeniaceae	Sea Lettuce Tree	fsw	0
Galbulimima baccata	Himantandraceae	Pigeonberry Ash	fsw	0
Gomphandra australiana	Icacinaceae	Buff Beech	fsw	0
Irvingbaileya australis	Icacinaceae	Wax Berry, Cloud Fruit	fsw	1
Gmelina dalrympleana	Lamiaceae	White Beech	fsw	0
Gmelina fasciculiflora	Lamiaceae	Northern White Beech	fsw	0
Beilschmiedia bancroftii	Lauraceae	Yellow Walnut	fsw	1
Beilschmiedia collina	Lauraceae	Mountain Blush Walnut	fsw	0
Beilschmiedia oligandra	Lauraceae	Ivory Walnut	fsw	1
Beilschmiedia tooram	Lauraceae	Tooram Walnut	fsw	1
Beilschmiedia volckii	Lauraceae	Boonjee Blush Walnut	fsw	1

<i>Cinnamomum laubatii</i>	Lauraceae	Pepperwood	fsw	0
<i>Cryptocarya corrugata</i>	Lauraceae	Corduroy Laurel	fsw	1
<i>Cryptocarya cunninghamii</i>	Lauraceae	Coconut Laurel	fsw	0
<i>Cryptocarya densiflora</i>	Lauraceae	White Laurel	fsw	0
<i>Cryptocarya hypospodia</i>	Lauraceae	Northern Laurel	fsw	0
<i>Cryptocarya lividula</i>	Lauraceae	Blue Laurel	fsw	0
<i>Cryptocarya murrayi</i>	Lauraceae	Murray's Laurel	fsw	0
<i>Cryptocarya oblata</i>	Lauraceae	Tarzali Silkwood	fsw	1
<i>Cryptocarya pleurosperma</i>	Lauraceae	Poison Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Cryptocarya vulgaris</i>	Lauraceae	Northern Laurel	fsw	0
<i>Endiandra acuminata</i>	Lauraceae	Brown Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra bessaphila</i>	Lauraceae	Gully Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra compressa</i>	Lauraceae	Whitebark, Qld Greenheart	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra cooperana</i>	Lauraceae	Cooper's Creek Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra cowleyana</i>	Lauraceae	Northern Rose Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra grayi</i>	Lauraceae	Gray's Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra hypotephra</i>	Lauraceae	Blue Walnut	fsw	0
<i>Endiandra impressicosta</i>	Lauraceae	Steelbutt	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra insignis</i>	Lauraceae	Hairy Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra leptodendron</i>	Lauraceae	Slender Walnut	fsw	0
<i>Endiandra longipedicellata</i>	Lauraceae	Buff Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra microneura</i>	Lauraceae	Noah's Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra montana</i>	Lauraceae	Montane Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra sankeyana</i>	Lauraceae	Sankey's Walnut	fsw	1
<i>Endiandra sideroxylon</i>	Lauraceae	Steelbutt	fsw	1
<i>Barringtonia calyprata</i>	Lecythidaceae	Cassowary Pine, Mango Pine	fsw	1
<i>Aglaia argentea</i>	Meliaceae	Silver Boodyarra	fsw	0
<i>Aglaia australiensis</i>	Meliaceae	Brown Ripples	fsw	0
<i>Aglaia meridionalis</i>	Meliaceae	Rusty Almond	fsw	0
<i>Aglaia sapindina</i>	Meliaceae	Boodyarra	fsw	0
<i>Dysoxylum pettigrewianum</i>	Meliaceae	Spurwood	fsw	0
<i>Ficus congesta</i>	Moraceae	Cluster Fig, Red Leaf Fig	fsw	0
<i>Ficus copiosa</i>	Moraceae	Plentiful Fig	fsw	0
<i>Ficus crassipes</i>	Moraceae	Round-leaf Banana Fig	fsw	0
<i>Ficus hispida</i>	Moraceae	Hairy Fig	fsw	0
<i>Ficus obliqua</i>	Moraceae	Small-leaved Fig	fsw	0
<i>Ficus variegata</i>	Moraceae	Variiegated Fig, Common Red-stem Fig	fsw	0
<i>Myristica insipida</i>	Myristicaceae	Queensland Nutmeg	fsw	0
<i>Acmena divaricata</i>	Myrtaceae	Cassowary Gum	fsw	1
<i>Acmena graveolens</i>	Myrtaceae	Cassowary Satinash	fsw	1
<i>Acmena hemilampra-orophila</i>	Myrtaceae	Mountain Satinash	fsw	0
<i>Acmena resa</i>	Myrtaceae	Red Eungella Satinash	fsw	0
<i>Acmenosperma claviflorum</i>	Myrtaceae	Grey Satinash	fsw	0
<i>Eugenia reinwardtiana</i>	Myrtaceae	Beach Cherry	fsw	0
<i>Rhodamnia sessiliflora</i>	Myrtaceae	Iron Malletwood	fsw	0
<i>Syzygium alliligneum</i>	Myrtaceae	Onion Wood, Mission Beach Satinash	fsw	1
<i>Syzygium angophoroides</i>	Myrtaceae	Yarrabah Satinash	fsw	0
<i>Syzygium cormiflorum</i>	Myrtaceae	Bumpy Satinash	fsw	1
<i>Syzygium forte-forte</i>	Myrtaceae	White Apple	fsw	1
<i>Syzygium johnsonii</i>	Myrtaceae	Rose Satinash	fsw	1
<i>Syzygium kuranda</i>	Myrtaceae	Kuranda Satinash	fsw	0
<i>Syzygium luehmannii</i>	Myrtaceae	Cherry Satinash, Riberry	fsw	0
<i>Syzygium papyraceum</i>	Myrtaceae	Paperbark Satinash	fsw	0
<i>Syzygium sayeri</i>	Myrtaceae	Pink Satinash	fsw	0
<i>Syzygium tierneyanum</i>	Myrtaceae	River Cherry	fsw	0
<i>Syzygium wesa</i>	Myrtaceae	White Eungella Satinash	fsw	0
<i>Ximenia americana</i>	Oleaceae	Yellow Plum	fsw	1
<i>Chionanthus axillaris</i>	Oleaceae	Pimply Olive	fsw	0
<i>Chionanthus ramiflora</i>	Oleaceae	Northern Olive	fsw	0
<i>Pandanus monticola</i>	Pandanaceae	Urchin-fruited Pandan	fsw	0
<i>Pandanus zea</i>	Pandanaceae	Corncob Pandan	fsw	0
<i>Podocarpus dispermus</i>	Podocarpaceae	Double-seeded Brown Pine	fsw	0
<i>Podocarpus grayae</i>	Podocarpaceae	Weeping Brown Pine	fsw	0
<i>Sundacarpus amara</i>	Podocarpaceae	Black Pine	fsw	0

<i>Xanthophyllum octandrum</i>	Polygalaceae	Yellow Boxwood	fsw	0
<i>Ardisia brevipedata</i>	Primulaceae	Rambling Spear-flower	fsw	0
<i>Gevuina bleasdalei</i>	Proteaceae	Wing-leaf Silky Oak	fsw	1
<i>Prunus brachystachya</i>	Rosaceae	Claudia Almond	fsw	0
<i>Antirhea tenuiflora</i>	Rubiaceae	Crimson Berry	fsw	0
<i>Atractocarpus fitzalanii-fitzalanii</i>	Rubiaceae	Brown Gardenia	fsw	0
<i>Morinda citrifolia-citrifolia</i>	Rubiaceae	Cheese Fruit	fsw	0
<i>Nauclea orientalis</i>	Rubiaceae	Leichhardt Tree	fsw	0
<i>Acronychia aberrans</i>	Rutaceae	Acid Berry, Plasticine Tree	fsw	0
<i>Acronychia acidula</i>	Rutaceae	Lemon Aspen	fsw	0
<i>Acronychia acronychioides</i>	Rutaceae	White Aspen	fsw	0
<i>Acronychia vestita</i>	Rutaceae	Fuzzy Lemon Aspen	fsw	0
<i>Halfordia scleroxyla</i>	Rutaceae	Jitta, Saffronheart	fsw	0
<i>Baileyoxylon lanceolatum</i>	Salicaceae	Baileyoxylon	fsw	1
<i>Arytera divaricata</i>	Sapindaceae	Coogera	fsw	0
<i>Castanospora alphanthii</i>	Sapindaceae	Brown Tamarind	fsw	0
<i>Diploglottis bracteata</i>	Sapindaceae	Boonjee Tamarind	fsw	0
<i>Diploglottis diphylostegia</i>	Sapindaceae	Northern Tamarind	fsw	0
<i>Diploglottis pedleyi</i>	Sapindaceae	Pedley's Tamarind	fsw	0
<i>Rhysotoechia robertsonii</i>	Sapindaceae	Robertson's Tuckeroo	fsw	0
<i>Sarcotoechia protracta</i>	Sapindaceae	Sarcotoechia	fsw	0
<i>Niemeyera chartacea</i>	Sapotaceae	Smooth-leaved Plum	fsw	0
<i>Niemeyera MtLewis</i>	Sapotaceae	Mt lewis Plum	fsw	1
<i>Niemeyera prunifera</i>	Sapotaceae	Plum Boxwood	fsw	1
<i>Palaquium galactoxylon</i>	Sapotaceae	Cairn's Pencil Cedar	fsw	1
<i>Pouteria chartacea</i>	Sapotaceae	Thin-leaved Coondoo	fsw	0
<i>Pouteria myrsinodendron</i>	Sapotaceae	Yellow Boxwood, Black Ash	fsw	0
<i>Solanum dallachii</i>	Solanaceae	Nightshade	fsw	0
<i>Phaleria clerodendron</i>	Thymelaeaceae	Rosy Apple	fsw	0
<i>Phaleria octandra</i>	Thymelaeaceae	Dwarf Phaleria	fsw	0
<i>Melodorum leichhardtii</i>	Annonaceae	Zig-Zag Vine	v	
<i>Melodinus australis</i>	Apocynaceae	Milk Vine	v	
<i>Austrobaileya scandens</i>	Austrobaileyaceae	Austrobaileya	v	
<i>Diplocyclos palmatus</i>	Cucurbitaceae	native Cucumber	v	
<i>Trichosanthes pentaphylla</i>	Cucurbitaceae	native Cucumber	v	
<i>Dichapetalum timorense</i>	Dichapetalaceae	Dichapetalum	v	
<i>Omphalea papuana</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Omphalea	v	
<i>Faradaya splendida</i>	Lamiaceae	Potato Vine, October Glory	v	
<i>Strychnos minor</i>	Loganiaceae	Snakewood	v	
<i>Hypserpa laurina</i>	Menispermaceae	Hypserpa	v	
<i>Legnephora moorei</i>	Menispermaceae	Round-leaf Vine	v	
<i>Parapachygone longifolia</i>	Menispermaceae	Pachygone	v	
<i>Piper interruptum</i>	Piperaceae	Pepper Vine	v	
<i>Piper macropiper</i>	Piperaceae	Pepper Vine	v	
<i>Cayratia clematidea</i>	Vitaceae	a Native Grape	v	
<i>Cissus penninervis</i>	Vitaceae	Native Grape	v	
<i>Cycas media</i>	Cycadaceae	Palm Cycad	cycad	
<i>Lepidozamia hopei</i>	Zamiaceae	Hope's Cycad	cycad	
<i>Archontophoenix tuckeri</i>	Arecaceae	Tucker's Alexandra Palm	palm	
<i>Calamus caryotoides</i>	Arecaceae	Fishtail Lawyer Cane	palm	
<i>Calamus radicalus</i>	Arecaceae	Vicious Hairy Mary Lawyer Cane	palm	
<i>Calamus vitiensis</i>	Arecaceae	Lawyer Cane	palm	
<i>Caryota albertii</i>	Arecaceae	Native Fishtail Palm	palm	
<i>Hydriastele wendlandiana</i>	Arecaceae	Creek Palm	palm	
<i>Licuala ramsayi</i>	Arecaceae	Fan Palm	palm	
<i>Linospadix microcarya</i>	Arecaceae	Walking Stick Palm	palm	
<i>Normanbya normanbyi</i>	Arecaceae	Black Palm	palm	
<i>Oraniopsis appendiculata</i>	Arecaceae	Orania palm	palm	
<i>Ptychosperma elegans</i>	Arecaceae	Solitaire Palm	palm	
<i>Cordyline cannifolia</i>	Agavaceae	Cordyline	cordyline	
<i>Rubus species</i>	Rosaceae	Native Raspberries	bramble	

* Marginal record. Although reported in the literature, the fruit of *Trema orientalis* are tiny, and unlikely to be eaten by Cassowaries

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