

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AFFAIRS AND FORESTRY
TREES OF THE YEAR 2007 - 2020

Year	Common tree		Rare (Uncommon) tree	
	Scientific name	Common name	Scientific name	Common name
2007	<i>Rhus (Searsia) pyroides</i>	Common Wild Currant Gewone Taaibos	<i>Pavetta schumanniana</i>	Poison Bride's Bush Gifbruidsbos
2008	<i>Harpephyllum caffrum</i>	Wild Plum Wildepruim	<i>Diospyros whyteana</i>	Bladder-nut Swartbas
			<i>Markhamia zanzibarica</i>	Bell Bean Tree Klokkiesboontjieboom
2009	<i>Acacia galpinii</i>	Monkey Thorn Apiesdoring	<i>Halleria lucida</i>	Tree Fuchsia Notsung
			<i>Pterocarpus rotundifolius</i>	Round-leaved Teak Dopperkiaat
2010	<i>Acacia xanthophloea</i>	Fever Tree Koorsboom	<i>Rothmannia capensis</i>	Cape Gardenia Kaapse Katjiepiering
			<i>Rothmannia globosa</i>	Bell Gardenia Klokkieskatjiepiering
2011	<i>Pappea capensis</i>	Jacket-plum Doppruim	Genus Pavetta	Bride's Bushes Bruidsbome
			<i>Nuxia congesta</i>	Common Wild Elder Gewone Wildevlier
2012	<i>Syzygium cordatum</i>	Water Berry Waterbessie	<i>Protorhus longifolia</i>	Red Beech Rooiboekenhout
			<i>Bruguiera gymnorrhiza</i>	Black Mangrove Swartwortelboom
2013	<i>Virgilia oroboides</i>	Blossom Tree Keurboom	<i>Grewia occidentalis</i>	Cross-berry Kruisbessie
			<i>Barringtonia racemosa</i>	Powder-puff Tree Poeierkwasboom
2014	Genus <i>Heteropyxis</i>	Lavender Trees Laventelbome	<i>Vepris lanceolata</i>	White Ironwood Witysterhout
2015	<i>Combretum kraussii</i>	Forest Bushwillow Bosvaderlandswilg	<i>Heteromorpha trifoliata</i>	Parsley Tree Wildepeterseliebos
2016	<i>Ficus thonningii</i>	Common Wild Fig Gewone Wildevy	<i>Maerua cafra</i>	Common Bush-cherry Gewone Witbos
			<i>Maerua angolensis</i>	Bead-bean Tree Knoppiesboontjieboom
2017	<i>Ziziphus</i>	Hairy Buffalo-thorn	<i>Euclea</i>	Ebony Tree

	<i>mucronata</i>	Harige Blinkblaar wag -n-bietjie	<i>pseudebenus</i>	Ebbeboom
2018	Genus Podocarpus	Yellowwoods Geelhoutbome	<i>Boscia albitrunca</i>	Shepherd's Tree Witgat
2019	<i>Sclerocarya birrea</i>	Marula Maroela	<i>Lonchocarpus capassa</i> (has changed to <i>Philenoptera violacea</i>)	Apple-leaf Appelblaar
2020	<i>Ekebergia capensis</i>	Cape Ash Essenhout	<i>Adansonia digitata</i>	Baobab Kremetart