

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Male flowers. Australian Plant Image Index, Australian Tropical Rainforest key, photographer J.L. Dowe, unknown place



Flower clusters. Australian Plant Image Index, Australian Tropical Rainforest key, photographer J.L. Dowe, unknown place



Fructing tree. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Maranoa Gardens, Melbourne, Vic

## Common name

Bangalow palm, Piccabeen palm

## Family

Areaceae

## Where found

In or near **rainforest**, mostly in moist sites beside creeks and on alluvial flats. Remnant trees in paddocks. Coastal north from Batemans Bay.

## Notes

Tree to 30 m high. Fruit fleshy. Trunk smooth, becoming fissured with age, with widely spaced rings (leaf scars). Leaves clustered at the top of the trunk, **compound**, 300–450 cm long, with 80–200 leaflets each 30–100 cm long, 20–100 mm wide, green on both surfaces, margins **entire**. Male and female flowers on the same plant. Flowers pink or mauve to purple, with 3 **petals**. Male flowers 7–11 mm in diameter, female flowers up to 4–5 mm long in bud. Flowers 1–3 together, in many-flowered branched clusters about 100–150 cm long. Flowering: autumn. Fruit red, round, 13–15 mm in diameter.

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PlantNT description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Archontophoenix~cunninghamiana> (accessed 3 January, 2021)

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