

# CONSERVE JULIMAR FOREST FOR TOMORROW

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## Julimar Forest needs National Park Status

For over 30 years, Julimar Forest has been recognised as an area of high conservation value for its flora and fauna biodiversity and habitat value. This is still considered the case today.

National Park status would provide the legislative protection for Julimar Forest's ecological value and recreational use.

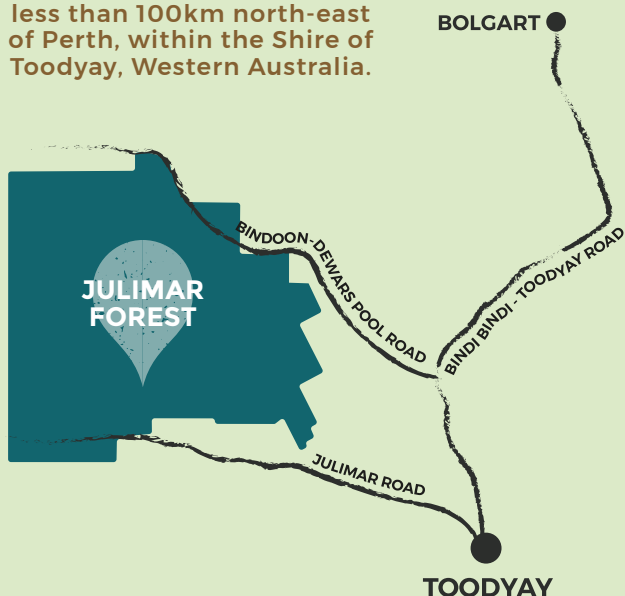
It would allow planned and respectful use of the Forest whilst minimising the destruction and degradation caused by its diverse users.

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...Of particular importance is the value of the area for a number of threatened species, including as one of only a few identified habitats for the critically endangered woylie. Julimar State Forest is also identified as one of the key habitat areas for chuditch and Carnaby's black cockatoo, and is identified as being in largely excellent condition.

Hon Reece Whitby MLA, Minister for Environment, Climate Action, 19 May 2022

Julimar Forest is situated less than 100km north-east of Perth, within the Shire of Toodyay, Western Australia.



Julimar Forest is at the northern end of WA's jarrah forest, within an agricultural area that has been extensively cleared.

### Its 28,600 hectares contain at least 20 vegetation communities including:

- Mixed woodland of Wandoo, Powderbark Wandoo and Marri (*Eucalyptus wandoo*, *Eucalyptus accedens* and *Corymbia calophylla*).
- A large area of mid open forest of Jarrah and Marri with several *Banksia* species (*Eucalyptus marginata* and *Corymbia calophylla* with *Banksia* sp).
- Tall shrubland of Pingle and Roadside Tea-tree (*Banksia squarrosa* ssp *squarrosa* and *Leptospermum erubescens*).
- Open heath and riparian communities.

## **Julimar Forest is ecologically significant and has been recognised as a Key Biodiversity Area (Birdlife Australia):**

- It provides vital habitat for 110 recorded species of birds, 35 species of mammals, and an estimated 350 species of invertebrates.
- It contributes to the conservation of vulnerable species such as the **Black-gloved Wallaby**, **Woylie** and **Chuditch** and is a key site for the Chuditch Relocation Program.
- Large numbers of endangered **Carnaby's Black Cockatoo** use the many nesting hollows on an annual basis.
- Over 500 wildflower species have been found in the Forest including 27 known priority species.
- The Forest is part of the catchment of the Avon River, which becomes the Swan River which flows through Perth.

## **Julimar Forest needs urgent protection. Current risks include:**

- The lack of a management plan.
- Lack of controls for dieback.
- Uncontrolled vehicle access and consequent erosion.
- Mining - the Forest is covered by mining leases and exploratory drilling for rare earth metals has already commenced as part of a substantial mining proposal.
- Feral animals – particularly pigs.
- Declining rainfall, risk of wildfire and impacts of climate change.



## **It is recreationally significant because:**

- Of its proximity to Perth – it is easily accessible to the metropolitan area by road.
- It provides vital opportunities for people of all generations to spend time in a natural environment, to connect to country; this is a known factor in supporting physical and mental health.
- The Camino Salvado Pilgrims' Trail passes through the Forest from its southern to northern borders.
- Its comprehensive track network enables access for bushwalkers and bike riders.

## **The Julimar Conservation and Forest Alliance are campaigning to get the Forest the protection it deserves through National Park status. We are:**

- Collecting data on the flora and fauna species in the Forest.
- Raising awareness about the high conservation value of the Forest, its biodiversity, its ecological communities and their threats.
- Promoting Julimar Forest for its recreational and educational qualities and its community value.
- Developing partnerships to maximise environmental protection for the Forest.



**JULIMAR FOREST BELONGS TO YOU & ME.  
THIS IS OUR NATURAL CAPITAL.  
THIS IS OUR HERITAGE.**



**The Forest needs your voice & we need your support. Please contact us to find out more:**

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We acknowledge the Noongar people as the traditional custodians of the Julimar Forest and respect the continuing connection and importance of this Forest to their cultural, physical and spiritual health.

We pay our respects to their elders past and present and their emerging leaders.