

BIG TREES

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The details of a large Karri tree submitted by Mr. Harris prompted a search of departmental files for records of other large trees. The following measurements of a number of trees are of interest.

| Species    | Total Height | G.B.H.                | Bole Length | Log Rec'd | Vol. Cu. Ft. | Remarks                |
|------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|------------------------|
| Karri      | 281          | 24' 6"                | 131         | 125       |              |                        |
| "          | 278          |                       |             |           |              | Measured 1920          |
| "          | 270          | 31' 4"                | 165         |           | 7730         | " 1958                 |
| "          | 265          | 33'                   | 113         | 100       | 5716         | Felled - 1926          |
| "          | 251          |                       | 186         | 162       | 2222         | Felled - 1953          |
| "          | 203          | 32' 1"                | 85          | 82' 6"    |              | Measured 1943          |
| "          |              | 31'                   | 125         |           | 2900         |                        |
| Jarrah     | 185          | 21' 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " |             | 94        |              | Measured 1947          |
| "          | 139          |                       | 67          | 52        | 1669         | Felled - 1957          |
| Blackbutt  | 150          | 22' 6"                | 99          | 76        | 1280         | Felled - 1951          |
|            |              |                       |             |           |              | Girth at 3 ft.<br>U.B. |
| Marri      | 159          | 25' 10"               | 80          |           | 3200         | Measured 1945          |
| "          |              | 35'                   |             |           |              |                        |
| Salmon Gum | 94           | 12'                   |             |           |              | " 1952                 |
| " "        | 90           |                       |             |           |              |                        |
| " "        | 60           | 10' 10"               |             |           |              | " 1951                 |
| Xmas Tree  | 60           | 9' 10"                |             |           |              | " 1949                 |
| P. radiata | 108          | 3' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "  |             |           | 50           | " 1948                 |
| " "        | 91           | 5' 8"                 |             |           | 74           | " 1948<br>(edge tree)  |

There is a constant challenge to Foresters to locate and accurately measure large specimens of tree species. It is suggested that the tallest Marri and Blackbutt figures could be exceeded by trees still standing and there are Pinus radiata trees at Greystones for instance taller than 108 feet.