

Plant of the Month — February 2017

Beaufortia squarrosa Schauer — Sand Beaufortia



Beaufortia squarrosa (Sand Beaufortia) is a medium shrub to 2 metres high. The showy red to orange flowers occur in globular clusters towards the ends of the branches and are produced throughout the year, but more prolifically from January to May. The species can be found on sandplains from Busselton to north of Geraldton.

The genus *Beaufortia* is endemic to the south-west of Western Australia. Twenty-two species were recognised in a recent revision of the genus by the Department of Parks and Wildlife Research Associate Dr Andrew Burbidge, which <u>was published in the Western Australian Herbarium's journal *Nuytsia*.</u>

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