

Scrub, Heathland and Coastal Complexes

SSK Scrub complex on King Island

Community Description:

Scrub complex on King Island comprises a successional series from sedgeland to heathland to scrub. The community is complex in its structure and species diversity. In some places, it occurs as a tight mosaic of the different structural units, while in other places one of these units will cover large areas. The sedgeland is characterised by sclerophyllous graminoids, the heathlands by low shrubs and the scrub by Myrtaceous species in addition to *Acacia*, *Banksia* and *Allocasuarina* species. Occasional emergent *Eucalyptus* species may be present.

Benchmarks:

Component	Cover %	LF Code
Dominant Life Form	60%	T
Organic Litter	15%	

Expected Life Forms	LF code	# Spp	Cover %
Tree or large shrub	T	5	60
Medium shrub/small shrub	S	12	20
Prostrate shrub	PS	1	1
Herbs and orchids	H	8	1
Medium to small tussock grass	MTG	1	1
Tiny grass/tiny sedge/tiny lily	TGS	2	1
Large sedge/rush/sagg/lily	LSR	4	10
Medium to small sedge/rush/sagg/lily	MSR	2	5
Ground fern	GF	4	1
Scrambler/Climber/Epiphyte	SCE	3	10
Mosses and Lichens	ML	1	10
Total	II	43	

Species lists:

Dominant Species	Common Name	LF Code
<i>Banksia marginata</i>	silver banksia	T
<i>Leptospermum scoparium</i>	common teatree	T
<i>Melaleuca ericifolia</i>	coast paperbark	T
<i>Melaleuca squarrosa</i>	scented paperbark	T

Other Typical Species *	Common Name	LF Code
<i>Acacia mucronata</i>	caterpillar wattle	T
<i>Acacia verticillata</i>	prickly moses	T
<i>Allocasuarina monilifera</i>	necklace sheoak	T
<i>Monotoca glauca</i>	goldey wood	T
<i>Amperea xiphoclada</i>	broom spurge	S
<i>Aotus ericoides</i>	golden pea	S
<i>Boronia anemonifolia</i>	stinky boronia	S
<i>Dillwynia glaberrima</i>	smooth parrotpea	S
<i>Epacris impressa</i>	common heath	S
<i>Leptecophylla juniperina</i>	pinkberry	S
<i>Leucopogon ericoides</i>	pink beardheath	S
<i>Pimelea linifolia</i>	slender riceflower	S
<i>Sprengelia incarnata</i>	pink swampheath	S
<i>Hibbertia</i> spp.	guineaflower	PS
<i>Drosera</i> spp.	sundew	H
<i>Mitrasacme pilosa</i> var. <i>pilosa</i>	hairy mitrewort	H
<i>Utricularia lateriflora</i>	tiny bladderwort	H
<i>Xanthosia tridentata</i>	hill crossherb	H
<i>Ehrharta distichophylla</i>	hairy ricegrass	NTG
<i>Dianella tasmanica</i>	forest flaxlily	LSR
<i>Gahnia grandis</i>	cutting grass	LSR
<i>Lepidosperma filiforme</i>	common rapiersedge	LSR
<i>Baloskion tetraphyllum</i>	tassel cordrush	MSR
<i>Hypolaena fastigiata</i>	tassel roperush	MSR
<i>Lepidosperma concavum</i>	sand swordsedg	MSR
<i>Patersonia fragilis</i>	short purpleflag	MSR
<i>Xyris</i> spp.	yelloweye	MSR
<i>Centrolepis</i> spp.	bristlewort	TGS
<i>Isolepis</i> spp.	clubsedge	TGS
<i>Schoenus</i> spp.	bogsedge	TGS
<i>Blechnum</i> spp.	waterfern	GF
<i>Lindsaea linearis</i>	screw fern	GF
<i>Pteridium esculentum</i>	bracken	GF
<i>Schizaea fistulosa</i>	narrow combfern	GF
<i>Selaginella uliginosa</i>	spikemoss	GF
<i>Bauera rubioides</i>	wiry bauera	SCE
<i>Cassytha</i> spp.	dodderlaurel	SCE
<i>Empodisma minus</i>	spreading roperush	SCE
<i>Muehlenbeckia adpressa</i>	climbing lignum	SCE
<i>Sporadanthus tasmanicus</i>	branching scalerush	SCE

*This list is provided as a guide only. The species listed are typical of this plant community type but may not necessarily be present.