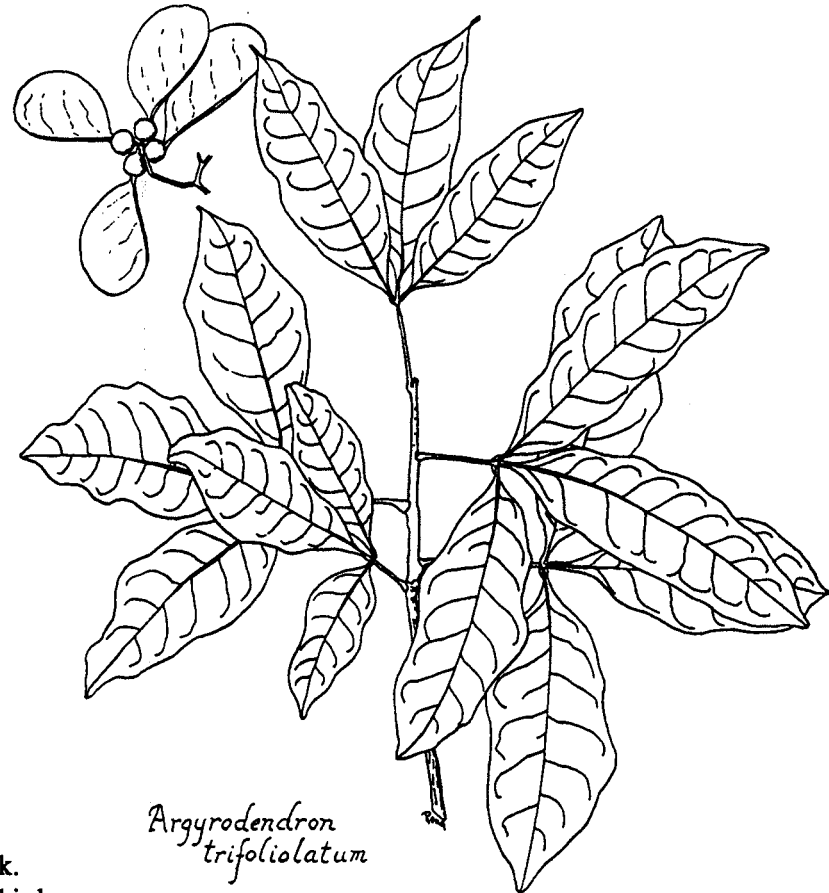


Argyrodendron trifoliolatum
(Sterculiaceae)

- Common name:** White booyong.
- Localities:** Kholo Creek, Moons Reserve, Rafting Ground, Upper Brookfield.
- Growth form:** A tall, stately tree to 45 m, but not so tall in our district. White booyong has prominent buttresses and grey, fissured or wrinkled bark.
- Foliage:** Leaves have three leaflets 7-14 cm long, with wavy margins. New growth is an attractive reddish colour.
- Flowers and fruit:** The inflorescence is a loose axillary panicle to 15 cm long, with many small, bell-like, cream-coloured flowers, appearing in winter-spring. The fruit contains a single seed and has a papery 3 cm long wing at the end.
- Habitat:** A common plant of subtropical rainforest.
- Propagation and Management:** Seed needs to be less than one week old if it is to germinate satisfactorily. Plants require well-drained soils and some shelter during early growth. They should not be exposed to long periods of summer drought.
- General:** A good host tree for epiphytic ferns and orchids. The timber is useful for cabinet work. White booyong provides nestsites for various birds, including the regent bowerbird.



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