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Scaly Ebony & Qld Ebony

Botanical Name	<i>Diospyros geminata</i>
Habitat/Ecology	Important for threatened vine thickets, beach scrubs & dry rainforests. Riparian, rocky and serpentine areas. Fruit eaten by birds & a food plant for moth larvae.
Home Use	Large crop of edible fruit, sweet when deep orange/red. Adapts to wide range of soil types.
Habit	Tall compact shrub to small tree 3-6m.
Flowers/Fruit	Flowers: July-March; creamy green; males in clusters; females are solitary; 3-5mm. Fruit: Feb-Dec; berries, yellow to orange/red when ripe, ovoid, 8-12mm in pairs. Need both male and female plants to fruit.
Leaves/Stems	Leaves: Evergreen; slightly glossy green to dull on top; yellow olive/green below; 2.5-5cm long. Bark: Dull black, fissures & scales (older plants).
Propagation	Fresh seeds; difficult by cuttings; slow growing.
Water/Shade	Well drained, sunny to semi shade.
Maintenance	Unlikely to compete well with weeds.



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