



# Botanist

## The Challenge

Documenting the distribution of plant communities and their component species and in so doing assist in ensuring that both are conserved.

The recording of information on the use of plants by traditional land owners and ensuring that this information is available to future generations.

## The job

A botanist's job may involve:

- The identification of plants for the public and for scientists involved in land-use assessment
- The dissemination of information about the flora to the general public and other scientists by the production of books, cd's, web-based material and scientific papers
- Field work to collect native and introduced plants found in the Northern Territory for deposition in the Northern Territory Herbarium
- Curation (naming, labelling and filing) of plant specimens at the Northern Territory Herbarium
- Description and formal naming of previously undescribed species
- Mapping the distribution of vegetation communities
- Documentation of rare and endangered species through assessment of plant populations in the field and records held at the Northern Territory Herbarium
- General plant surveys to assess the conservation value of specific regions of the Northern Territory
- Liaising with Aboriginal people to document traditional knowledge of plant use

## What we offer

- Opportunity to travel within the NT to collect and name plants
- Opportunities for involvement in plant science research
- On-the-job training in plant identification
- Regular annual salary plus some allowances
- Six weeks annual recreation leave
- Career development and advancement

## What you will need

- Enthusiasm for plant science
- Keen to do field work in remote places
- An NT "C" class driver's licence
- Bachelor of Science Degree or higher degree specialising in taxonomic botany or plant ecology



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