

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER AFFAIRS AND FORESTRY
DEPARTEMENT VAN WATERWESE EN BOSBOU**

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**INVITATION TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED
LIST OF PARTICULAR TREES AND PARTICULAR GROUP OF TREES
"CHAMPION TREES" UNDER SECTION 12(1)(a) AND (b) OF THE
NATIONAL FORESTS ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 84 OF 1998)**

The Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry intends to declare particular trees and particular group of trees "Champion Trees" set out in the attached Schedule protected under Section 12(1)(a) and (b) of the National Forests Act, 1998.

In terms of Section 13(1)(a) of the said Act, interested and affected parties are invited to submit written comments on the proposed list within sixty (60) days of the publication of this notice.

Comments must be submitted to-

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SCHEDULE A / BYLAE A

Champion Tree Nomination Register Number	Tree Species / Tree Name	Other common names	General Description	Location (Province, District, Farm/Town, Suburb, Street) property registration names or approximate co-ordinates if available
29.	<i>Eucalyptus saligna</i> (The 'O'Connor trees & tallest tree in South Africa & Africa)	Salignabloekom (A)	Stand of Eucalyptus saligna trees planted in 1906 by Forestry Pioneer AJ O'Connor, including the tallest tree in South Africa and Africa. Previous tallest tree in this stand fell in 2006.	Woodbush Plantation, Haenertsburg, Limpopo Province. S 23° 50.733' E 29° 59.008'

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34.	<i>Eucalyptus</i> species & a variety of other tree species (Tokai arboretum - all mature trees)	Bloekom en ander spesies (A)	Arboretum of historic significance with trees planted there since 1885. Laid out by Joseph Storr Lister at the beginning of the forestry industry. A major landmark and recreation area, and world famous among botanists, horticulturists and silviculturists.	The Tokai arboretum situated in the Tokai State forest, as proclaimed in 1985 under the War Graves and National Monuments Act of 1969 (Act No 28 of 1969) – now replaced by the National Heritage Resources Act of 1999 (Act No 25 of 1999) S 34° 40.8' E 18° 24.52'
36.	<i>Platanus acerifolia</i> (London plane) tree avenue in KwaZulu-Natal National Botanical Gardens	Plataan (A)	Tree avenue of exceptionally old plane trees – of historic value – planted in 1908 by Mr WE Marriot (curator). Trees are a central landscape feature of the botanical gardens.	KwaZulu-Natal Botanical Gardens, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal Province S 29° 36.381' E 30° 20.836'
45.	<i>Eucalyptus paniculata</i> (Grey ironbark), <i>E maculata</i> (Spotted gum), & <i>E microcorys</i> (Tallow gum), "Commonwealth plantation"	Gryssterbasbloekom (A) Gevlektbloekom (A) Kersvetbloekom (A)	Arboretum or sample plot of large <i>Eucalyptus</i> trees planted in the 1930s and protected to commemorate the Commonwealth Forestry Conference of 1935.	Middelkop Plantation, Haenertsburg Limpopo Province S 23° 49.187' E 30° 04.011'
46.	<i>Eucalyptus saligna</i> (Westfalia Showblock)	Salignabloekom (A)	Stand of tall trees <i>Eucalyptus saligna</i> trees planted in 1933 by the eminent Dr Hans Merensky.	Westfalia Estate, Tzaneen, Limpopo Province. S 23° 43.898' E 30° 06.506'
91.	<i>Cedrus deodara</i> (Deodar) etc. Historic President Brand trees	Heilige seder (A)	Historic collection of trees of different species planted by visiting dignitaries since 1879 in front of the old Government Buildings in President Brand Street, Bloemfontein.	Old Government Buildings, President Brand Street, Bloemfontein, Free State Province. S 29° 06.96' E 26° 12.99'
96	<i>Breonadia salicina</i> (Matumi)	Mingerhout (A) / Mohlomê (Sep) / Mutu-lume (Set)	Third Largest Matumi tree in South Africa (forms part of a trio of large Matumi trees)	Amorentia Estate, Mooketsi Valley, Limpopo Province. S 23° 46.098' E 30° 02.855'
99	<i>Eucalyptus ficifolia</i> (Red flowering gum)	Rooiblombloekom (A)	Very large and attractive tree, estimated to be more than 2 centuries old. A landmark on an old historic farm.	Ida's Valley Homestead, Stellenbosch District Western Cape Province.

109	<i>Quercus robur</i> (English Oak)	Engelse eik (A)	The largest and perhaps the oldest Oak tree in Gauteng Province, and an impressive landmark.	Kirchmont Heights, 4 Koelenhof Road, Northcliff Extension 19, Johannesburg, Gauteng Province. S 26° 10.78' E 27° 56.95'
123	<i>Ficus macrophylla</i> (Moreton Bay fig) –	Australiaanse baniaan (A)	Largest tree in Western Cape (possibly among the 4 largest trees in South Africa).	Arderne Gardens, Claremont Cape Town, Western Cape Province.
124	<i>Araucaria heterophylla</i> (Norfolk Island Pine)	Norfolkeiland den (A)	Exceptionally tall tree, even for its kind.	Arderne Gardens, Claremont Cape Town, Western Cape Province.
128	<i>Eucalyptus diversicolor</i> (Karri gum) "Brackenhill Gum Trees"	Karriebloekom (A)	Tallest stand of Karri gum in the South Africa, planted in 1922.	Kruisfontein State Forest Harkerville, Western Cape Province.
131	<i>Cassuarina cunninghamia</i> (Beefwood)	Kasuarisboom (A)	Lane of large casuarinas planted in the 1860s by Charles Scanlen.	Municipal Recreation grounds, Cradock Eastern Cape Province. S 32° 09.79' E 25° 36.86'
133	<i>Quercus robur</i> (English Oak)	Engelse eik (A)	Oak tree planted 3 centuries ago – largest and oldest oak tree in the South Africa.	Vergelegen Estate, Somerset West, Western Cape Province. S 34° 04.560' E 18° 53.392'
135	<i>Eucalyptus saligna</i> (The 'O'Connor tree lane)	Salignabloekom (A)	Very tall tree lane – planted in 1906 by forestry pioneer AJ O'Connor. Landmark visible from various viewpoints. Situated next to O'Connor's memorial.	Woodbush Plantation, Haenertsburg, Limpopo Province. S 29° 59.121' E 29° 59.354'
137	<i>Quercus suber</i> (Cork oak)	Kurkeik (A)	One of the largest and oldest trees in Arderne Gardens, planted more than a century ago by John Arderne and his son.	Arderne Gardens, Claremont Cape Town, Western Cape Province. S 33° 59.120' E 18° 27.559'
138	<i>Quercus serris</i> (Turkey oak)	Turkse eik (A)	One of the largest and oldest trees in Arderne Gardens, planted more than a century ago by John Arderne and his son.	Arderne Gardens, Claremont Cape Town Western Cape S 33° 59.144' E 18° 27.583'
139	<i>Pinus halepensis</i> (Aleppo pine)	Aleppoden (A)	One of the largest and oldest trees in Arderne Gardens, planted more than a century ago by John Arderne and his son.	Arderne Gardens, Claremont, Cape Town, Western Cape Province. S 33° 59.137' E 18° 27.495'
140	<i>Agathis robusta</i> (Queensland kauri)	Queenslandse kauri (A)	One of the largest and oldest trees in Arderne Gardens, planted more than a century ago by John Arderne and his son.	Arderne Gardens, Claremont, Cape Town, Western Cape Province. S 33° 59.125' E 18° 27.517'

142	<i>Eucalyptus regnans</i> (Mountain ash)	Bergessebloekom (A)	The tallest tree measured in KwaZulu-Natal midlands to date. Situated on the scenic Benvie arboretum established by Scottish emigrant John Geekie more than 80 years ago.	Benvie Farm, New Hanover Kwazulu-Natal Province. S 29° 15.898' E 30° 22.182'
150	<i>Pinus radiata</i> (Monterey pine)	Radiataden (A)	Tallest pine tree in the Eastern Cape. Planted in late 1880s by forest workers as part of an early tree plantation.	Isidenge State forest, Eastern Cape Province, S 32° 40.049' E 27° 16.754'
152	<i>Eucalyptus citriodora</i> (Lemon-scented gum)	Lemoenbloekom (A)	Very attractive group of big trees in scenic setting on campus grounds.	Campus of Paul Roos Gymnasium, Welgelegen Stellenbosch, Western Cape Province. S 33° 56.25' E 18° 51.54'
153	<i>Quercus robur</i> (English oak)	Engelse eik (A)	Large oak tree on farmyard next to the original wagon route linking Stellenbosch with Cape Town. Local claim that S vd Stel granted land to his coachmen, who planted the trees.	Bonniemile' Stellenbosch, Western Cape Province. S 33° 02.31' E 18° 46.00'
154	<i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i> (River red gum)	Rooibloekom (A)	Tree plays a very prominent role in the landscape on the river plateau of Stellenbosch. Same size as the Bergzicht tree and was thus probably also planted ca 1880.	60 Jonkers-hoek Avenue Stellebosch, Western Cape Province. S 33° 56.044' E 18° 53.00'

A = Afrikaans / E = English / Sep = Sepedi / Set = Setswana / V = Tshivenda / X = IsiXhosa / Z = IsiZulu

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