

## WOY WOY CAMPUS

### **INDIGENOUS GARDEN**

# Backhousia Myrtifolia (Cinnamon Myrtle)

#### Indigenous use

The Cinnamon Myrtle historically was used for its leaves which was then used for cooking and for medicinal purposes.

#### Description

Cinnamon Myrtle (aka. Carrol, Grey Myrtle, Ironwood, Neverbreak, Australian Lancewood) is a native hardwood that was popularised as a bushfood in the late 1980s. Its leaves give off a cinnamon fragrance when rubbed or crushed, much like the leaves of the curry plant and kaffir lime. This rainforest species is native to subtropical eastern Australia.





#### Habitat

*Backhousia Myrtifolia* grows in a subtropical, warm temperate climate. It enjoys full sun and a well drained soil