Ficus virens — Banyan

Scientific Name:

Ficus virens

Common Name:

Banyan

Register Number:

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Location of Tree:

Nabalco Bauxite Treatment Plant, Dundas Point, Nulunbuy NT

GPS:

-12.19012, 136.68721

Categories of Significance:

Aesthetic Historical Unique Location

Year Listed:

1982

Sacred to the *Yirrkala* people and of great antiquity, this tree is the *'Mali'* or image of *Dhanburama*, a female *Yiritja* spirit who now dwells there. So that the tree would not have to be removed when the Nabalco Treatment Plant began construction on the site, the initial location of the workshop and warehouse complex in the plant areas was changed. The pipeline to the Steam Power Station was also relocated so that it would not interfere with the Banyan Tree.



