



## Cassia (Senna) in Central Australia

A Guide to Identification

Senna is a large genus of flowering plants in the legume family Fabaceae. The leaves of this genus are pinnate with opposite paired leaflets, inflorescences have five sepals and five yellow petals, and the fruit is a legume pod containing several seeds. They can be germinated easily from seed once a corner has been nicked to allow water to penetrate. In central Australia, there are many species, some of which are shown below.



Silver Cassia Senna artemisioides nothosubsp. artemisioides



Senna artemisioides subsp. alicia



Desert Cassia Senna artemisioides nothosubsp. coriacea



Desert Cassia, Broom Bush, Punty Bush Senna artemisioides subsp. filifolia



No image: Undescribed Taxa

Blunt-leaf Cassia Senna artemisioides subsp. helmsii





Oval-leaf Cassia Senna artemisioides subsp. oligophylla



Woody Cassia Senna artemisioides subsp. petiolaris



Four-leaf Desert Senna Senna artemisioides subsp. quadrifolia



Dense Cassia Senna artemisioides nothosubsp. sturtii



Sticky Cassia Senna glutinosa subsp. glutinosa



White Cassia Senna glutinosa subsp. pruinosa

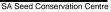


Cockroach Bush Senna notabilis



Coffee Senna, Sickle Pod Senna occidentalis

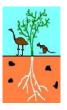




Chocolate Bush Senna pleurocarpa var. pleurocarpa



Graceful Cassia Senna venusta



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