

Myrtle Rust

“Myrtle rust” is a new disease in the Top End, but for now it’s restricted to Darwin and the Tiwi Islands. If it makes it out to Kakadu, it could affect some of our native species (e.g. paperbarks, allosyncarpia..) – so please keep your eyes peeled (especially field staff), and report anything suspicious (without touching it)!



If you think you’ve seen myrtle rust in your garden or in the bush:

- 1: DO NOT TOUCH IT OR REMOVE IT. It can easily get onto your clothes and spread.
- 2: Record its location and take a photo.
- 3: Call Anthony Mann our Threatening Processes Officer, on 89381175

Jim Jim Falls -- Update

A week in Kakadu is long time, the photo on the left was taken on a scenic flight on the 4 May 2016. Since then we had some late rain right across the park with up to 60mm in places. The photo on the right was taken by Katherine Wilson, Team Leader South, on the morning of 11 May, showing Jim Jim in a completely different light.

Kathy sent us the following update :

Jim Jim Rangers went in to Jim Jim Falls on 11 May to install croc traps, but could not access all of the sites. The recent heavy rain and associated run off in the catchments has caused minor flooding with water levels now too high for the traps to be effective.

We will monitor the situation and possibly install the traps mid next week.

