

# Wollemi Pine - *Wollemia nobilis*



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Concern

Near  
Threatened

Vulnerable

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Extinct in  
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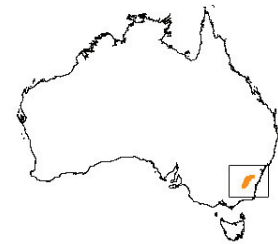
Extinct

## About the Wollemi Pine

Long thought to be extinct, the Wollemi Pine was rediscovered in 1994 in a remote and rugged part of the Wollemi National Park in NSW. This exciting discovery brought to life one of the world's oldest plant species. This excitement was faded quickly when it was realised that there were only about 100 left. Although they were found in a pretty inaccessible part of the park where they may have lived since the time of the dinosaur, their existence into the future is a little less certain.

Intensive conservation efforts are now underway to protect the remaining wild species and to work out what conditions this species needs to survive. Risks to the wild population include an outbreak of disease or fire, or changing climatic conditions due to global warming.

The Wollemi Pine looks a bit like other pines: it has a typical conifer shape with dark green foliage, bubbly bark and multiple trunks. It is truly amazing to think that this species has managed to survive through 200 million years of shifting continents and changing climates.



 Distribution

## How to Help

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