

GRP Rockplate grassland

Community Description:

Rockplate grasslands occur on skeletal soils over rockplates. They are dominated by *Poa rodwayi* or species of *Rytidosperma* and are usually devoid of all woody species due to the extremes of wetting and drying characteristic of these thin soils. It also includes small patches of herbfield over exposed rockplate and grasslands induced by eucalypt dieback of grassy woodlands mainly on dry hilltops (usually *Eucalyptus viminalis*, *E. amygdalina* or *E. pulchella*).

Benchmarks:

Component	Cover (%)	LF Code
Dominant Life Form	30	MTG
Organic Litter	5	

Understorey Life Forms	LF code	# Spp	Cover (%)
Herbs and Orchids	H	8	15
Medium to Small Tussock Grass	MTG	2	30
Tiny Grass/Sedge/Lily	TGS	2	15
Ground Ferns and fern allies	GF	1	1
Mosses and Lichens	ML	1	20
Total	5	14	

Species lists:

Dominant Life Form Species	Common Name	LF Code
<i>Poa rodwayi</i>	velvet tussockgrass	MTG
<i>Rytidosperma</i> spp.	wallabygrass	MTG

Typical Understorey Species *	Common Name	LF Code
<i>Astroloma humifusum</i>	native cranberry	PS
<i>Bossiaea prostrata</i>	creeping bossia	PS
<i>Euryomyrtus ramosissima</i> subsp. <i>ramosissima</i>	rosy heathmyrtle	PS
<i>Hibbertia</i> spp.	guineaflower	PS
<i>Lissanthe strigosa</i>	peachberry heath	PS
<i>Brachyscome</i> spp.	daisy	H
<i>Convolvulus</i> spp.	bindweed	H
<i>Crassula</i> spp.	stonecrop	H
<i>Daucus glochidiatus</i>	australian carrot	H
<i>Dichondra repens</i>	kidneyweed	H
<i>Drosera</i> spp.	sundew	H
<i>Hypericum japonicum</i>	matted st johns-wort	H
<i>Leptorhynchos squamatus</i>	scaly buttons	H
<i>Oxalis perennans</i>	woodsorrel	H
<i>Sebaea</i> spp.	sebaea	H
<i>Solenogyne gunnii</i>	hairy flat-herb	H
<i>Themeda triandra</i>	kangaroo grass	MTG
<i>Carex breviculmis</i>	shortstem sedge	TGS
<i>Centrolepis</i> spp.	bristlewort	TGS
<i>Schoenus</i> spp.	bogsedge	TGS
<i>Dianella revoluta</i>	spreading flaxlily	MSR
<i>Adiantum aethiopicum</i>	common maidenhair	GF
<i>Cheilanthes austrotenuifolia</i>	green rockfern	GF
<i>Lindsaea linearis</i>	screw fern	GF
<i>Ophioglossum lusitanicum</i>	adders-tongue	GF

*This list is provided as a guide only. The species listed are typical of this plant community type but may not necessarily be present.