

CAYMAN ISLANDS WILD TREES & SHRUBS

The IRONWOOD FOREST

The ancient growth Ironwood Forest is located behind the University College of the Cayman Islands, George Town, Grand Cayman

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Below: Two Cayman endemics
Ironwood ... with *Hohenbergia*



Some of the large variety of plants in the forest, some culturally important, some endemic, some rare:

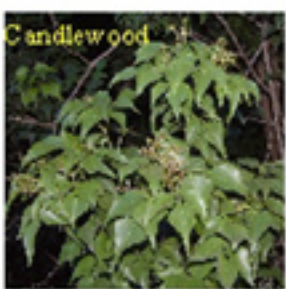
- bromeliads orchids peperonias
- lichens mosses
- Bastard Fustic - *Celtis trinervia*
- Bastard Ironwood - *Exostema caribaeum*
- Bastard Strawberry - *Calyptanthes pallens*
- Bitter Plum - *Picrodendron baccatum*
- Bloody Head-Raw Bones - *Capparis flexuosa*
- Broadleaf - *Cordia sebestena* var. *caymanensis**
- Candlewood - *Amyris elemifera*
- Cedar - *Cedrela odorata*
- Cherry - *Myricanthes fragrans*
- Chinese Lantern - *Chascotheca* sp
- Christmas Berry - *Allophylus cominia* var. *caymanensis**
- Draw Water Grass - *Lasiacis divaricata*
- Duppy Bush - *Phyllanthus angustifolius*
- Duranta - *Duranta erecta*
- Fustic - *Maclura tinctoria*
- Havana solarium - *Solanum havanense*
- Headache Bush - *Capparis cynophallophora*
- Hohenbergia - *Hohenbergia caymanensis**
- Ironwood - *Chionanthus caymanensis**
- Jasmine - *Plumeria obtusa*
- Jeremiah Bush - *Zuelania guidonia*
- Lady Hair - *Malpighia cubensis*
- Lignum vitae - *Guaiaacum officinale*
- Long Strap Fern - *Polypodium phyllitidis*
- Mahogany - *Swietenia mahagoni*
- Pepper Cinnamon - *Cassia winterana*
- Picklewood - *Guetta da elliptica*
- Resurrection fern - *Polypodium polypodioides*
- Schoepfia - *Schoepfia chrysophylloides*
- Shake Hand tree - *Xylocma bahamense*
- Silver Thatch - *Coccothrinax proctorii*
- Smokewood - *Erythroxylum areolatum*
- Strawberry - *Eugenia axillaris*
- Trichilia - *Trichilia havanensis*
- Turkey Berry - *Crossopetalum caymanense**
- Wild Jasmine - *Tabernaemontana laurifolia*
- Yellow Trumpet Bush - *Hamelia cuprea*



It has its own wetland, providing necessary moisture for rare endemic plants & those of historic significance.
Below: overlooking the wetland



Above & below:
Picklewood



Cedar