

RICHIHMOND BIRDWING BUTTERFLY VINE

Richmond Birdwing Butterfly Vine, *Pararistolochia praevenosa*, is the primary food plant for larvae of the Richmond Birdwing Butterfly (*Ornithoptera richmondia*), a rare butterfly classified as a Vulnerable Species in Queensland.

The Birdwing Butterfly Vine is an endemic vine found in patches of lowland subtropical rainforest from Kin Kin in Qld to Wardell in NSW and with one small patch on the Atherton Tablelands in North Qld.

The vine has become rare in the wild due to clearing burning and other disturbance of its rainforest habitats.

Nudgee Beach EEC have engaged a real life conservation project with the aim to increase the number of the Birdwing Butterfly Vines in South East Queensland by propagating seeds, potting plants, growing plants and distributing them to local Schools that visit our Centre. Our aim is to increase the vine so that in turn, the Richmond Birdwing Butterfly population will increase.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

Please plant this responsibly either at your home or at your school.

To allow the **Richmond Birdwing Butterfly Vine** to thrive, it needs part shade and a trellis, fence or alongside a host tree. Water once a week until it is at least two years old.



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