# Schotia brachypetala

Drunken Parrot tree, Tree fuschia, Hottentot bean, Boer bean,

## **Palatability to Livestock:**

Unknown.

## **Toxicity to Goats:**

Unknown.

# **Toxicity to Other Species:**

Cattle, probably other livestock.

## **Poisonous Principle:**

Unknown.

### **Effects:**

Signs and Symptoms:

- . Loss of weight,
- . Crusty nasal exudate,
- . Pale mucous membranes,
- . Tarry faeces.
- . At autopsy, dehydration, haemorrhages through the alimentary tract, swollen liver, congested lungs.

### Health and Production Problems:

. Be aware of potential stock problems.

#### Treatment:

. Unknown.

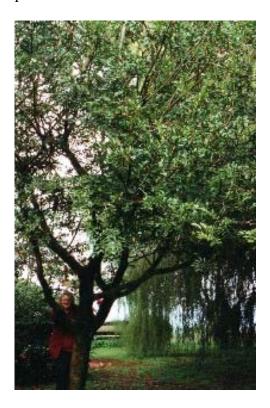
## **Integrated Control Strategy:**

. Be aware of potential stock problems.

#### **Comments:**

- . <u>Cultivated as a street and garden tree in</u> Australia,
- . Native to S. Africa.
- . A semi-evergreen spreading tree, with substantial, pinnate leaves.
- . Most leaves drop in mid spring when flowering begins.
- . Dense clusters of deep crimson flowers with protruding red stamens, in spring to summer.
- . Large pods form in autumn.

- . No record of toxicity for domestic animals.
- . Bark, wood and root contain tannins.
- . A decoction of the bark is emetic.
- . Wood dust is irritant to the eyes.
- . Seeds are said to be edible, and high in protein.



Pictures: Schotia brachypetala



Pictures: Beryl Collins and Helen Simmonds Calga. NSW.

### Further Reading:

- . RA McKenzie, GJ Storie and IR Frazer. Unpublished data Qld DPI.
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