

What's flowering in November?



APIACEAE

Annesorhiza macrocarpa

Wilde anyswortel

This is a perennial of 1.6 m.

They start flowering in September, and leaves are absent during flowering period. The flowers are usually showy and pale yellow.



ASTERACEAE

Felicia tenella

Astertjies

They flower from August to November and are abundant on coastal dunes of the South Western Cape. Blue, violet or white ray petals.

Felicia meaning *Happy* and *Tenella* meaning *Slender*.



ASTERACEAE

Helichrysum patulum

Related to Kooigoed

A herb which flowers from November to January. It is known by its distinct soft grey foliage.

Has a very spicy fragrance when touched.



PLUMBAGINACEAE

Limonium purpuratum

Sea lavender; Papierblom

This grows only on the sandy West Coast.

A tufted shrublet with smooth, paddle-shaped leaves. It bears clusters of mauve, papery flowers from November to January. Very sought after as a cut flower. Has been hybridized into pot plants and cut flowers all over the world especially Australia and New Zealand.



ASTERACEAE

Oncosiphon suffruticosum

Stinkweed

Huge clusters of tiny yellow flower heads are seen from September to January.

Slightly foetid-smelling when bruised.

Often found in waste ground.



EUPHORBIACEAE

Euphorbia caput-medusae

Medusa's head; Vingerpol

A sprawling shrublet with warty, club-shaped branches.

It flowers from September to November.



MALVACEAE

Hermannia

Popposie (Dolls' Rose)

Flowers from September to January.

They are known as the porcelain bells of South Africa. They grow from an underground rootstock which helps them to survive droughts and fires.

There are 4 different species of Hermannia on this walk - all have nodding flowerheads. The flowers of this one have smaller openings and are yellow, but turn orange after being pollinated.

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SCROPHULARIACEAE

Manulea thysiflora

Vingertjies

This perennial bush of about 60cm is found near the R27.

Flowers in spring from September to December displaying greenish to golden yellow flowers in upright clusters.



ASTERACEAE

Metalasia muricata

Blombos

Flowers here from August to November.

The bushes of up to 1.5 m are covered in white flowerheads and create a very prominent display.



GERANIACEAE

Pelargonium myrrhifolium fruticosum

Wit malva

The off-white flowers are seen from September to November.

The 2 upper petals are wider than the lower ones.



SCROPHULARIACEAE

Selago

Bitter bush; Aarbossie

Small shrubs of about 30 cm with clusters of tiny white flowers. They flower for a few months, starting late spring.

The vernacular "aarbossie" refers to the preference of the shrubs to situations overlying arterial water.



SCROPHULARIACEAE

Zaluzianskya villosa

Drumsticks, Verblommetjie

The delicate flowers are white or pink, and form a carpet from August to November.

Frequent in sandy places on flats and slopes.

Certain species are used as dyes.



ZYGOPHYLLACEAE

Zygophyllum morgsana

Slaaibos

This plant has fleshy leaves and is also called Twinleaf plant.

These bushes of 1.5 m tall are covered in yellow flowers in spring. Flowers have 4 petals which turn into 4 winged seeds (slightly fleshy).

The Zygophyllums lose all their leaves in winter.



CRASSULACEAE

Cotyledon orbiculata

Plakkie; Dog's ear

A succulent shrublet with velvety leaves. It bears clusters of nodding, tubular flowers with a dull red colour.

Flowers from October to December.

Very easy to grow. Pollinated by birds and bees.



SCROPHULARIACEAE

Nemesia affinis

Cape snapgragon Leeubekkie

An annual herb which flowers from August to November. The flower has 2 lips: the upper has 4 lobes and the lower 2

Often found with yellow Senecios.



SOLANACEAE

Lycium ferocissimum

Slangbessie

Thorny shrub of up to 2 m, flowering from July to October.

The red berries which appear towards November are edible.



POLYGALACEAE

Murtalia spinosa

Skilpadbessie

An attractive, spiny shrub with lateral branches.

It is covered in small pink or white pea flowers that develop into dark orange edible berries in summer.

As early as 1685 when Simon vd Stel travelled to Namaqualand they were reported to be thirst-quenching.

Flowers from August to October.



FABACEAE

Otholobium bracteolatum

Skaapbostee

A perennial shrub of about 1.5 m with trifoliate leaves. It bears bright blue peaflowers in tight clusters.