

LAND RESOURCES OF THE VICTORIA RIVER DISTRICT

# PASTURE RATING of NAGURUNGURU ABORIGINAL LAND TRUST (Amanbidji)

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### PASTURE RATING

Three broad pasture classes have been used to rate and describe the grazing potential of native pastures. These are based on overall composition of species in the pasture at any one site or collectively for sites across a land unit. Pasture ratings have been adapted from values calculated by the Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries in Vallance et al. (1993).

- HIGH**  
Dominant species have very good grazing value. They are palatable, nutritious and digestible. Common species include Mitchell grass (*Astrebla* spp.), Flinders grass (*Isolema* spp.), Native couch (*Brachyachne convergens*), Blue grass (*Dichanthium* spp.), Native Millet (*Panicum decompositum*), Golden beard grass (*Chrysopogon fallax*) and Limestone grass (*Enneapogon* spp.) where prevalent.
- MODERATE**  
Pastures are a mix of palatable and unpalatable species and may have a number of increaser species. Common species include Limestone grass (*Enneapogon* spp.), Flinders grass (*Isolema* spp.), Black spear grass (*Heteropogon contortus*), Kangaroo grass (*Themeda triandra*), Spear grass (annual *Sorghum* spp.), Golden beard grass (*Chrysopogon fallax*), Whitegrass (*Sehima nervosum*), and Kerosene or Wire grass (*Aristida* spp.).
- POOR**  
Dominant species are unpalatable or are increaser species with low nutritional value and relatively low digestibility. Value is usually limited to green pick early in the season. Common species include Spinifex (*Triodia* spp.), Kerosene or Wire grass (*Aristida* spp.), Silky brown top (*Eulalia aurea*), Whitegrass (*Sehima nervosum*), Spear grass (annual *Sorghum* spp.) and Wanderrie grass (*Eriachne* spp.).

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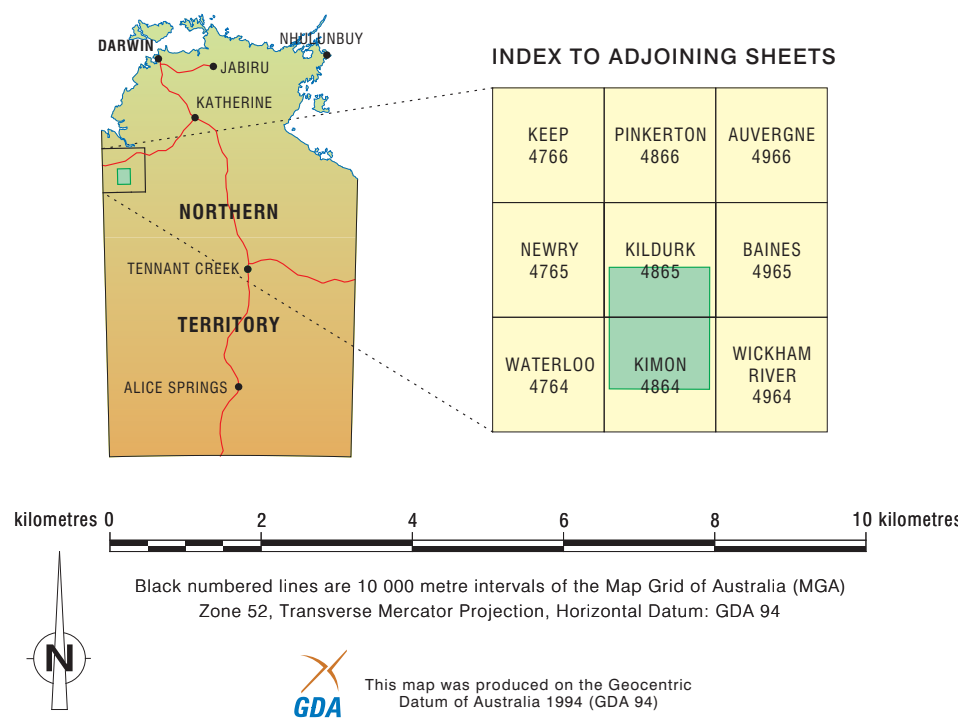
Land resource information has been derived from aerial photograph interpretation and field data describing landform, soil and vegetation. Mapping has been collected according to the national standards and prepared at a scale of 1:100 000. Enlarging this map beyond this scale will not provide further detail.

A site inspection should always accompany mapping for specific areas.

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### MAP LOCALITY & 1:100 000 MAP SHEET INDEX



### GENERAL FEATURES

- Property boundary .....  
Park / Reserve .....  
Aboriginal community ..... Amanbidji  
Local road / track .....  
Water Bore .....  
Fence .....  
Dam .....  
Turkey nest .....  
Paddock name ..... Whiskey Pdk  
Drainage line .....  
Relief feature, named ..... Tee Dee Hill  
Spot height ..... 290  
Cliff .....

Base Information Data Sources:  
Northern Territory Department of Lands, Planning and Environment.  
Geoscience Australia, Australian Government.

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