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The Christmas Tree (*Nuytsia floribunda*) is a somewhat unusual member of the Mistletoe family in that it grows as a tree instead of merely as a parasitical attachment to the branches of other trees. It parasitises the roots of the host plant and its showy orange-coloured blossom is a feature of the early summer landscape. The Christmas Tree is seen at its best on the coastal plains of South-Western Australia.

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