

## Tangier Pea – native to south western Europe and North Africa, a weed in South Australia

Tangier Pea, once a food plant (however poisonous if not correctly prepared), but not the right plant for a Conservation Park!

Smothering low growing species and preventing the regeneration of native species, the Tangier pea can also be a fire risk when it dies off in summer.

Today we are reclaiming the creek-banks for our native plants. Tangier pea smothers other plants, and sets seed prolifically, which explode from the pods, and can spread several metres. It appears that birds also spread the seed to new locations. The seed germinates readily, but can also last for several years in the soil.

We shall start at the edges and work our way down stream.

Pull the plants up from the roots and leave them on site. We have gloves to protect your hands. Be careful not to spread the seeds to a new area.

Watch where you put your feet, as the ground is uneven, and this can be concealed by plants.

Look out for branches overhead!



Most of all have a great day, and enjoy being out in nature, knowing you are helping to look after the park.

