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Growing at 37.9 South, frost prone inland basin, zero snowfall, very few days fail to reach 10C, almost never does the daily high fail to reach 8C.

Weather from personal weather station, fully exposed, away from cover.

Jul 1 max: 15.5 min: -0.7 avg: 7.400 C
Jul 2 max: 14.6 min: -1.5 avg: 6.550 C
Jul 3 max: 14.9 min: -2.1 avg: 6.400 C
Jul 4 max: 14.9 min: -2.4 avg: 6.250 C
Jul 5 max: 12.4 min: -2.4 avg: 5.000 C
Jul 6 max: 14.3 min: 3.7 avg: 9.000 C
Jul 7 max: 14.8 min: 5.3 avg: 10.050 C
Jul 8 max: 13.1 min: 4.0 avg: 8.550 C
Jul 9 max: 13.8 min: 4.4 avg: 9.100 C
Jul 10 max: 15.9 min: 3.9 avg: 9.900 C
Jul 11 max: 11.9 min: 5.1 avg: 8.500 C
Jul 12 max: 10.9 min: 4.7 avg: 7.800 C
Jul 13 max: 13.0 min: 1.0 avg: 7.000 C
Jul 14 max: 14.2 min: -2.7 avg: 5.750 C
Jul 15 max: 16.6 min: 4.2 avg: 10.400 C
Jul 16 max: 16.1 min: 4.3 avg: 10.200 C
Jul 17 max: 15.8 min: 12.3 avg: 14.050 C
Jul 18 max: 17.1 min: 10.4 avg: 13.750 C
Jul 19 max: 13.2 min: 6.3 avg: 9.750 C
Jul 20 max: 16.1 min: 4.7 avg: 10.400 C
Jul 21 max: 13.9 min: 4.8 avg: 9.350 C
Jul 22 max: 16.9 min: 7.9 avg: 12.400 C
Jul 23 max: 13.7 min: 6.1 avg: 9.900 C
Jul 24 max: 15.9 min: 1.8 avg: 8.850 C
Jul 25 max: 13.9 min: 7.0 avg: 10.450 C
Jul 26 max: 17.3 min: 10.8 avg: 14.050 C
Jul 27 max: 12.8 min: 5.0 avg: 8.900 C
Jul 28 max: 15.9 min: 2.1 avg: 9.000 C
Jul 29 max: 15.0 min: 6.0 avg: 10.500 C
Jul 30 max: 17.3 min: 5.9 avg: 11.600 C
Jul 31 max: 16.1 min: 9.5 avg: 12.800 C

June 2021, before any freezes



3 July, after three freezing nights, 15C daytime highs. Immediate damage where frost cloth was touching foliage, rest looks good apart from weird two green tones effect.



6 July 2021 , after run of 5 freezing nights, to -2.4C, it seemed damage was minimal.



1 month later, after 1 further freeze (which despite having the lowest temp -2.7°C , cold duration was short compared to the first week in July freezes and protection was bumped up) otherwise, standard winter weather, highs low to mid teens. Oh dear, gradual decline has set in, is it terminal?

31 July



29 August



November 2021, recovery underway. Very little of pre-winter foliage left green.



December 2022. Has doubled in size, fronds that went through winter 2022 with freeze to -1.9C (protected by cover) are a little tatty, but in tact, it should take off this summer.

