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gum tree /gʌm tri:/ (n.)

wildlife /'waɪldlaɪf/ (n.)

veterinarian =

immune system =

surpass =

Thousands more gum trees need to be planted to feed a number of sick koalas, the Currumbin Wildlife Hospital says.

eucalyptus /,ju:kə'liptəs/ (n.)

About 15,000 eucalyptus trees have just at Hinze Dam in the Gold Coast hinterland feed koalas, but senior veterinarian Michael Pyne said at least 10,000 more were needed.

hinterland /'hɪntərlænd/ (n.)

nasty /'nɑ:sti/ (adj.)

"You've got one nasty killer bacterial infection in chlamydia and then you've got a really nasty viral disease that suppresses the immune system so together of course it's a nasty combination," Dr. Pyne said.

infection /ɪn'fekʃən/ (n.)

chlamydia /klə'mɪdiə/ (n.)

"It's not easy finding the gum leaves that they like. Sick koalas are very fussy so we really need the pick of the best."

fussy /'fʌsi/ (adj.)

Dr. Pyne said the number of koalas to the sanctuary to surpass 300 this year.

sanctuary /'sæŋktʃuəri/ (n.)

"The number of koalas coming in to our hospital goes up year after year," he said.

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