

Noongar Bonar : Noongar Seasons

Birak — (Dec - Jan)

Birak bonar is very hot and dry.
Burning of scrub is done to encourage new shoots.
Moodjar (Christmas tree) blooms.



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Boonaroo — (Feb - Mar)

Boonaroo bonar is the hottest season with long days and short nights. Kooyar (frogs) emerge. *Djiridji* (Zamia palm) seeds ripen ready for processing and eating, *Djiridji* leaves are used to make *miyamiya* (shelters) and the woody material is used for bedding and fire lighting.



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Djiran — (Apr - May)

Djiran bonar is when cooler weather begins and it's windy with morning frost. It's when the leaves are on the ground. *Ngari* (salmon) are available in the ocean. *Bwoka* (warm clothes) are made ready for the very cold season.



Djiran

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Mookaroo — (Jun - Jul)

Mookaroo bonar is the coldest season with rain, storms and long nights. There is good hunting of *yongka* (kangaroo), *wetj* (emu), *kaarda* (goanna), *koomal* (possum) and *kwenda* (bandicoot).



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Djilba — (Aug - Sept)

Djilba bonar has a mixture of wet, cold days and warmer days. Nights are cool. *Djilba* is when *djildjit* (fish) spearing takes place, wildflowers are budding and *koola* (emu plum) fruit are available.



djilba

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Kambarang — (Oct - Nov)

Kambarang bonar sees longer and warmer days and less rain. The *djet* (flowers) are blooming and plants used for *mereny* (food), medicine, crafts, tools, *kaal* (fire) and ceremony are collected.



Kambarang