

# KRG Krongart Land System

- Area:** 322.0 km<sup>2</sup>
- Landscape:** Plains with mainly dark coloured, medium to fine textured soils. Small swamps are common
- Annual rainfall:** 680 – 750 mm average
- Geology:** Lagoonal calcareous mudstones and clays of the Pleistocene Padthaway Formation.
- Main soils:**
- G3** (20%) Thick sand over clay (sandy Brown-Red Chromosol-Sodosol)
  - N3** (15%) Wet soil (non to moderately saline) (Sodosolic-Calcarosolic-Dermosolic Hydrosol)
  - M4** (9%) Deep hard gradational sandy loam (Hard Brown--Dark Kandosol- Dermosol)
  - F2** (8%) Loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay (Brown-Dark Sodosol-Chromosol)
  - E3** (8%) Brown or grey cracking clay (Brown-Grey Vertosol)
- Minor soils:**
- C5** (7%) Gradational dark clay loam (Calcic-Hypercalcic Brown-Grey-Black Dermosol-Calcarosol)
  - E1** (6%) Black cracking clay (Black Vertosol)
  - G4** (6%) Sand over poorly structured clay (sandy Brown-Red Sodosol-Chromosol)
  - G5** (4%) Sand over acidic clay (sandy Brown Kurosol)
  - I2** (4%) Wet highly leached sand (Aquic or Semi-Aquic Podosol)
- Summary:** The main limitations of the soils are poor drainage/waterlogging associated with the low relief and poor external drainage of the landscape as well as the poorly drained nature of the soils themselves.

## Soil Landscape Unit summary: Krongart Land System (KRG)

SLU	% of area	Component	Main soils	Prop#	Notes
M-A	0.4	Plain	B3B7	D	Plain with very shallow sand, often over thin, poorly structured dark brown clay on calcreted calcarenite. >50% exposed calcrete. <10% swamps with peat and organic loam soils.  Main soils: <b>Plains:</b> <u>Shallow sandy loam on calcrete</u> - <b>B3</b> and <u>Sand over friable brown clay on calcrete</u> - <b>B7</b> . <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Peaty soil</u> – <b>N1</b> and <u>Wet clay loam</u> - <b>N3</b> .
		Swamp	N1N3	M	
MXL	0.3	Undulating plain	B5	V	Gently undulating plain with dark grey clay loam over calcreted calcarenite. 10-30% bare calcrete. 10-20% swampy depressions with organic clay loam often over clay, or peat soils.  Main soils: <b>Plains:</b> <u>Shallow dark clay loam on limestone</u> - <b>B5</b> . <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam</u> - <b>N3</b> , <u>Peaty soil</u> – <b>N1</b> and <u>Deep hard gradational sandy loam</u> - <b>M4</b> .
		Swamp	N3N1 M4	L	
NDC	1.1	Plain	G3	V	Plains with deep sand over brown clay soils with 20-30% low stony rises with shallow clay loam soils, often over grey or red clay; on calcrete. 10-30% of the area of the rises is bare calcrete.
		Stony rise	B6B4 B3	C	



					<p>Main soils:  <b>Plains:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3.</u>  <b>Stony rises:</b> <u>Shallow sandy loam over red-brown clay on calcrete - B6, Shallow red loam on limestone - B4 and Shallow sandy loam on calcrete - B3.</u></p>
NJA	0.1	Plain	M4	D	<p><b>NJA</b> Plain with deep clay loam or clay, grading to dark, poorly structured clay.  <b>NJS</b> As above plain with 20-30% sandy rises with deep sand over brown clay soils; 10-20% swamps with dark cracking clay soils.</p> <p>Main soils:  <b>Plains:</b> <u>Deep hard gradational sandy loam - M4 and Black cracking clay - E1.</u>  <b>Sandy rises:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3.</u>  <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3.</u></p>
NJS	3.9	Plain	M4E1	E	
		Sandy rise	G3	C	
		Swamp	N3	L	
NjK	0.0	Plain	G3	V	<p>Plains with deep acid sand over brown clay; 20-30% sandy rises with moderately drained deep acid sands with coffee rock or clay subsoils; &lt;10% swamps with dark clay.</p> <p>Main soils:  <b>Plains:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3.</u>  <b>Sandy rises:</b> <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2, Bleached siliceous sand - H3 and Thick sand over clay - G3.</u>  <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3 and Deep hard gradational sandy loam - M4.</u></p>
		Sandy rise	I2H3 G3	C	
		Swamp	N3M4	M	
NLH	0.1	Rise	B5B6	D	<p><b>NLH</b> Rises with shallow black clay loam to clay; or shallow red loam over red clay; on calcrete.  <b>NLM</b> Plains with sand over brown clay, often over calcrete. 1-20% stony rises with shallow sandy loam, often over thin red clay; or thin dark clay on calcrete.</p> <p>Main soils:  <b>Stony rises:</b> <u>Shallow dark clay loam on limestone - B5, Shallow sandy loam over red-brown clay on calcrete - B6 and Shallow sandy loam on calcrete - B3.</u>  <b>Plains:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3 and Sand over friable brown clay on calcrete - B7.</u></p>
NLM	2.2	Plain	G3B7	V	
		Stony rise	B6B5 B3	L	
NIM	0.1	Plain	B5E1	V	<p>Plains with black clay soils, mostly shallow over calcrete; 20-30% stony rises with often calcareous black clay on calcrete.</p> <p>Main soils:  <b>Plains:</b> <u>Shallow dark clay loam on limestone - B5 and Black cracking clay - E1.</u>  <b>Stony rises:</b> <u>Shallow calcareous loam on calcrete - B2 and Shallow dark clay loam on limestone - B5.</u></p>
		Stony rise	B2B5	C	
NmA	4.6	Plain	G3I2	D	<p>Plains with deep sand, mostly over brown clay, 10-30% acid sand over acid clay.</p> <p>Main soils: <u>Thick sand over clay - G3; Wet highly leached sand - I2.</u></p>
NMF	0.2	Plain	F2	V	<p>Plains with deep loam over poorly structured brown clay soils. <b>NMF</b> 10-20% swamps with clay loam to clay over dark brown or grey clay, soils.  <b>NMJ</b> As for <b>NMF</b> but also with &lt;10% stony rises with shallow dark clay to clay loam over calcrete soils.  <b>NMK</b> As for <b>NMF</b> also with &lt;10% sandy rises with sand over brown clay soils.</p>
		Swamp	N3F2 M4	L	
NMJ	2.9	Plain	F2	V	
		Swamp	N3F2 M4	L	
		Stony rise	B5B2	M	
NMK	0.6	Plain	F2	V	<p>Main soils:  <b>Plains:</b> <u>Sandy loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay - F2.</u></p>
		Swamp	N3F2 M4	L	



					<p><b>Stony rises:</b> <u>Shallow dark clay loam on limestone - B5</u> and <u>Shallow calcareous loam on calcrete - B2</u>.</p> <p><b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u>, <u>Sandy loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay - F2</u> &amp; <u>Deep hard gradational sandy loam - M4</u>.</p>
NnF	0.8	Plain	F2C5	E	<p><b>NnF</b> Plains with dark clay loam over dark clay on calcrete or soft and rubbly carbonate; co-dominant with swamps with dark cracking clay soils.</p> <p><b>NnV</b> Plains as above but co-dominant with stony rises with shallow dark clay loam, often with red clay subsoils, over calcrete. 20-30% sandy rises with deep acid sand, mostly over brown clay soils. 20-30% swamps as above.</p> <p>Main soils:</p> <p><b>Plains:</b> <u>Sandy loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay - F2</u>, <u>Shallow dark clay loam on limestone - B5</u> and <u>Gradational dark clay loam - C5</u>.</p> <p><b>Stony rises:</b> <u>Shallow dark clay loam on limestone - B5</u>, <u>Shallow sandy loam over red-brown clay on calcrete - B6</u> and <u>Shallow red loam on limestone - B4</u>.</p> <p><b>Sandy rises:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3</u>; <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2</u>.</p> <p><b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u>, <u>Brown or grey cracking clay - E3</u> and <u>Deep hard gradational sandy loam - M4</u>.</p>
		Swamp	N3E3	E	
NnV	1.3	Plain	B5C5	E	
		Stony rise	B5B6 B4	E	
		Sandy rise	G3I2	C	
		Swamp	N3E3 M4	C	
NOA	0.5	Plain	C5	D	<p><b>NOA</b> Plains with mostly deep dark cracking clay soils on rubbly carbonate or marl. 10-30% low rises with shallow clay loam, often over well structured red-brown clay over calcareous calcarenite.</p> <p><b>NOU</b> Plain and low rises as above; 20-30% swamps with dark cracking clay soils; 20-30% lunettes with shallow and deep calcareous loam soils.</p> <p>Main soils:</p> <p><b>Plains:</b> <u>Gradational dark clay loam - C5</u>.</p> <p><b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u>.</p> <p><b>Lunettes:</b> <u>Shallow calcareous loam on calcrete - B2</u> and <u>Calcareous clay loam on marl - A7</u>.</p>
NOU	5.1	Plain	C5	E	
		Swamp	N3	C	
		Lunette	B2A7	C	
NpA	0.1	Plain	E1E3	D	<p><b>NpA</b> Plains with deep, black or dark grey cracking clay soils often with marly subsoils.</p> <p><b>NpF</b> As above plains; 10-20% swamps with wet soils as above.</p> <p><b>NpG</b> Depression with soils as above, &lt;10% swamps.</p> <p><b>NpH</b> Slopes and plains with cracking clay soils as above.</p> <p>Main soils:</p> <p><b>Plains:</b> <u>Black cracking clay - E1</u> and <u>Brown or grey cracking clay - E3</u>.</p> <p><b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u>, <u>Wet saline clay loam - N2c</u>, <u>Black cracking clay - E1</u> and <u>Brown or grey cracking clay - E3</u>.</p>
NpF	1.5	Plain	E1E3	V	
		Swamp	N3E1 E3	L	
NpG	1.6	Depression	E1E3	D	
		Swamp	N3E1 E3	M	
NpH	0.7	Slopes/plain	E1E3	D	
NQF	3.1	Plain	C5	V	<p>Plains with deep dark clay loam grading to dark grey clay soils, often with rubbly carbonates or marl subsoils.</p> <p>Main soils:</p> <p><b>Plains:</b> <u>Gradational dark clay loam - C5</u>.</p> <p><b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u>.</p>
		Swamp	N3	E	
NrA	0.5	Plain	E3	D	<p><b>NrA</b> Plains with grey cracking clay soils; 10-30% each of clay loam over dark brown clay and deep acid sand over brown clay soils. &lt;10% swamps with black and grey cracking clay soils.</p> <p><b>NrF</b> Plains with cracking clay soils as above; 10-20% swamps.</p> <p>Main soils:</p> <p><b>Plains:</b> <u>Black cracking clay - E1</u>; <u>Brown or grey cracking clay - E3</u>.</p> <p><b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u>, <u>Black cracking clay - E1</u> and <u>Brown or grey cracking clay - E3</u>.</p>
		Swamp	N3E1 E3	M	
NrF	1.7	Plain	E1E3	V	
		Swamp	N3	L	



NSA	1.4	Plain	G3G5	V	<b>NSA</b> Plains with deep acid sand over, often strongly acid brown clay soils; 10-30% deep clay loam grading to brown clay soils. 10-20% swamps with often wet, non-peaty clay loams, peat or water filled.
		Swamp	N3N1 WW	L	
NSB	0.1	Stony plain	G3B5	D	<b>NSB</b> Stony plains with deep acid sand over clay as above, co-dominant with shallow dark clay loam to clay, occasionally over poorly structured clay, on calcrete.
NSE	1.4	Undulating plain	G3G5	D	<b>NSE</b> Undulating plains as for <b>NSA</b> .
NSF	3.0	Plain	G3	V	<b>NSF</b> Plains as for <b>NSA</b> ; 20-30% swamps with non-peaty, dark grey clay loam to clay soils.
		Swamp	N3	C	
NSG	6.5	Drainage depr	N3E1 M4	D	<b>NSG</b> Drainage depression with wet dark clay loams and black or grey cracking clay soils.
NSP	4.8	Plain	G3	V	<b>NSP</b> Plain as for <b>NSA</b> with 20-30% sandy rises with deep moderately well to poorly drained, bleached siliceous sand over brown clay or coffee rock.
		Sandy rise	G3I2	C	
NSS	0.4	Plain	G3	V	<b>NSS</b> Plain as for <b>NSA</b> above; 20-30% swamps with wet, dark, clay loamy to cracking clay soils; 20-30% sandy rises as for <b>NSP</b> .  Main soils: <b>Plains:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3</u> and <u>Sand over acidic clay - G5</u> . <b>Sandy rises:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3</u> ; <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2</u> . <b>Swamps and drainage depressions:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u> , <u>Black cracking clay - E1</u> and <u>Deep hard gradational sandy loam - M4</u> .
		Swamp	N3	C	
		Sandy rise	G3I2	C	
NTF	1.1	Plain	G3F2	V	<b>NTF</b> Plains with sand to loam over brown to dark brown clay. 20-30% swamps with often wet, clay loam over dark brown clay soils.
		Swamp	F2N3	C	
NTP	2.4	Plain	G3G4	V	<b>NTP</b> Plains as above soils, often with poorly structured clay subsoils; 20-30% sandy rises with deep sands, mostly over brown clay, but also coffee rock. <10% swamps with sand over poorly structured clay and cracking clay soils.  Main soils: <b>Plains:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3</u> , <u>Sandy loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay - F2</u> , <u>Brown or grey cracking clay - E3</u> and <u>Sand over yellow and brown clay - G4</u> . <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u> , <u>Sand over yellow and brown clay - G4</u> , <u>Brown or grey cracking clay - E3</u> and <u>Sandy loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay - F2</u> . <b>Sandy rises:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3</u> ; <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2</u> .
		Rise	G3I2	C	
		Swamp	G4N3 E3	M	
NuA	1.5	Plain	F2N3	D	<b>NuA</b> Plains with wet non-cracking clay soils; 10-30% sand over brown clay on low rises.
NuF	3.2	Plain	M4 M2F2	V	<b>NuF</b> Plains with clay loam over dark brown or grey clay soils, often poorly structured, 10-30% on calcareous rubble or marl substrate. 20-30% swamps with mostly wet, non-cracking clay soils.
		Swamp	N3	C	
NuK	1.8	Plain	M4 M2F2	V	<b>NuK</b> Plains as for <b>NuF</b> , 20-30% swamps, <10% sandy rises with deep sands, mostly over brown clay or coffee rock.
		Swamp	N3	C	
		Rise	G3I2	M	
NuL	0.4	Plain	M4 M2F2	V	<b>NuL</b> Plains as for <b>NuF</b> above, <10% stony rises with shallow sandy loam over red clay on calcreted calcarenite, or deep sand over brown clay, soils.
		Swamp	N3	C	
		Rise	B6G3	M	
NuP	0.6	Plain	M4 M2F2	V	<b>NuP</b> Plains as for <b>NuF</b> above. 20-30% sandy rises with deep well-drained, water repellent acid sands.
		Sandy rise	H3I1	C	
NuV	0.5	Plain	M4 M2F2	E	Main soils: <b>Plains:</b> <u>Deep hard gradational sandy loam - M4</u> , <u>Deep friable gradational clay loam - M2</u> , <u>Sandy loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay - F2</u> and <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u> . <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u> .
		Swamp	N3	C	
		Rise	A7B2	L	



					<p><b>Sandy rises:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay</u> - <b>G3</b>; <u>Wet highly leached sand</u> - <b>I2</b>.  <b>Stony rises:</b> <u>Calcareous clay loam on marl</u> - <b>A7</b> and <u>Shallow calcareous loam on calcrete</u> - <b>B2</b> or <u>Shallow sandy loam over red-brown clay on calcrete</u> - <b>B6</b> and <u>Thick sand over clay</u> - <b>G3</b>.</p>
NvA	1.3	Plain	G4	D	<p><b>NvA</b> Plains with thin sand, or occasionally loam, over poorly structured brown clay.  <b>NvD</b> Plains as above, &lt;10% sandy rises with deep acid bleached sand on acid clay or coffee rock.  <b>NvF</b> Plains as for <b>NvA</b>, 10-20% swamps with often wet, dark grey clay loam over clay soils.  <b>NvK</b> Plains as for <b>NvA</b>, 10-20%swamps with dark clay loam to clay over dark clay soils, &lt;10% sandy rises with deep sand over brown clay or coffee rock, soils.  <b>NvO</b> Plains with loam over mostly, poorly structured, dark brown clay soils. 20-30% rises also with shallow loam over red clay or deep bleached sand.  <b>NvP</b> Plains with thick and thin sand over poorly structured brown clay soils. 20-30% sandy rises with deep sands, over brown clay and/or coffee rock. &lt;10% swamps with dark clay loam to clay over dark brown or grey clay.  <b>NvQ</b> Stony plains with both deep sand over clay and sand over poorly structured brown clay on calcrete. 20-30% sandy rises with deep sand over brown clay and/or coffee rock. &lt;10% dark clay loam or clay swamps.  <b>NvS</b> Plains as for <b>NvO</b>; 10-20% sandy rises with deep sand over brown clay and/or coffee rock; 10-20% dark clay loam or clay swamps.</p> <p>Main soils:  <b>Plains:</b> <u>Sand over yellow and brown clay</u> - <b>G4</b>, <u>Thick sand over clay</u> - <b>G3</b>, <u>Sand over acidic clay</u> - <b>G5</b>, and <u>Sandy loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay</u> - <b>F2</b>.  <b>Sandy rises:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay</u> - <b>G3</b>, <u>Sand over acidic clay</u> - <b>G5</b> and <u>Wet highly leached sand</u> - <b>I2</b>.  <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam</u> - <b>N3</b>, <u>Deep hard gradational sandy loam</u> - <b>M4</b> and <u>Brown or grey cracking clay</u> - <b>E3</b>.</p>
NvD	0.5	Plain	G4	D	
		Sandy rise	G5I2	M	
NvF	5.4	Plain	G3G5	V	
		Swamp	N3M2 M4	L	
NvK	5.1	Plain	M4E3	V	
		Swamp	N3M4 E3	L	
		Rise	G3I2	M	
NvO		Plain	F2	V	
		Rise	F2F1	C	
NvP	3.2	Plain	G3G4	V	
		Sandy rise	G3I2	C	
		Swamp	N3M4 E3	M	
NvQ	1.1	Stony plain	G3	V	
		Sandy rise	G3I2	C	
		Swamp	N3M4 E3	M	
NvS	1.0	Plain	F2	V	
		Sandy rise	G3I2	L	
		Swamp	N3M4 E3	L	
NwF	4.1	Plain	C5E3	V	
		Swamp	N3E3 M4	C	
NYF	1.7	Plain	B5C5	E	
		Swamp	N3M2	E	
NzF	0.9	Plain	G4F2	V	
		Swamp	N3M4 E3	L	
NzP	2.7	Plain	G4F2	V	
		Sandy rise	G3	C	





		Swamp	N3M4 E3	M	<b>NzS</b> Plains with mostly thin, acid sand over poorly structured brown clay. 20-30% sandy rises with deep acid sands, over acid brown clay and/or coffee rock. 20-30% swamps with wet loam over poorly structured dark clay soils.  Main soils: <b>Plains:</b> <u>Sand over yellow and brown clay - G4</u> and <u>Sandy loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay - F2</u> . <b>Sandy rises:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3</u> , <u>Sand over acidic clay - G5</u> and <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2</u> . <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u> , <u>Deep hard gradational sandy loam - M4</u> and <u>Brown or grey cracking clay - E3</u> .
NzS	0.1	Plain	G4	V	
		Sandy rise	G5I2	C	
		Swamp	N3	C	
OND	0.1	Low dune	H3I2	D	Low dunes with deep acid well-drained bleached sand, often with coffee rock on lower slopes or swales, where wetter conditions prevail.  Main soils: <u>Bleached siliceous sand - H3</u> and <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2</u> .
PFj	0.03	Rise	I1H3 G3	V	Rises and sand plains with deep, well-drained, moderately water repellent, bleached siliceous sands, often with clay or coffee rock subsoil, especially on less well-drained situations such as occur on the lower slopes of rises. 10-20% sand plains, 10-20% swamps with mostly wet, dark clay loam over dark clay soils.  Main soils: <b>Rises:</b> <u>Highly leached sand - I1</u> , <u>Bleached siliceous sand - H3</u> and <u>Thick sand over clay - G3</u> . <b>Plains:</b> <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2</u> , <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u> and <u>Thick sand over clay - G3</u> . <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u> .
		Plain	I2N3 G3	L	
		Swamp	N3	L	
PLa	0.6	Plain	I2G3	V	Sand plains with poorly drained deep sand over coffee rock and/or brown clay. 10-20% well to moderately drained deep sand often on coffee rock and/or brown clay. <10% swamps with peat or sandy loam over dark clay soils or water filled.  Main soils: <b>Plains:</b> <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2</u> and <u>Thick sand over clay - G3</u> . <b>Dunes:</b> <u>Highly leached sand - I1</u> and <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2</u> . <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Peaty soil - N1</u> and <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u> .
		Dune	I1I2	L	
		Swamp	N1N3 WW	M	
PPB	0.1	Rise	I1I2	D	Low sand rises with deep siliceous, water repellent, highly leached, siliceous sand, often less well-drained over coffee rock or brown clay, especially on lower slopes.  Main soils: <u>Highly leached sand - I1</u> ; <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2</u> .
PQp	0.2	Plain	G3I2	V	Sand plain with mostly acid, deep moderately well drained sand over acid brown clay. 10-20% poorly defined swamps and flats with dark brown clay and loam over mottled clay soils. Some ironstone gravel in sub-surface horizons.  Main soils: <b>Plains:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay - G3</u> and <u>Wet highly leached sand - I2</u> . <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam - N3</u> and <u>Deep friable gradational clay loam - M2</u> .
		Swamp	N3M2	L	
Xe-	0.1	Lunette	B7F2	D	Lunette with clay loam over poorly structured dark brown clay soils, commonly over calcrete.  Main soils: <u>Sand over friable brown clay on calcrete - B7</u> and <u>Sandy loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay - F2</u> .



XI-	0.05	Lake	WW	D	Water filled.
XRC	1.3	Swamp	N3	D	<p><b>XRC</b> Swamps with dark grey clay soils, often cracking.</p> <p><b>XRe</b> As above with 20-30% lunettes or hummocks with clayey calcareous soils on marl and sand over dark clay soils.</p> <p><b>XRf</b> Swamps, with dark, mostly wet, cracking clay soils. 10-20% stony rises with shallow dark grey clay loam, often on dark clay, over calcrete, sometimes calcareous throughout.</p> <p>Main soils:  <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam</u> - <b>N3</b> and <u>Brown or grey cracking clay</u> - <b>E3</b>.  <b>Lunettes:</b> <u>Calcareous clay loam on marl</u> - <b>A7</b> and <u>Thick sand over clay</u> - <b>G3</b>.  <b>Stony rises:</b> <u>Shallow dark clay loam on limestone</u> - <b>B5</b> and <u>Shallow calcareous loam on calcrete</u> - <b>B2</b>.</p>
XRe	1.2	Swamp	N3E3	V	
		Lunette	A7G3	C	
XRf	1.1	Swamp	N3	V	
		Stony rise	B5B2	L	
XtC	0.1	Swamp	N1	D	<p><b>XtC</b> Swamps with neutral to alkaline peat soils and some deep dark grey clay soils.</p> <p>Main soils: <u>Peaty soil</u> - <b>N1</b>.</p>
XuC	2.2	Swamp	N3	D	<p><b>XuC</b> Swamps with mostly non-peaty wet soils, but peats occur in up to 30% of areas.</p> <p><b>Xud</b> Non-peaty swamps with 20-30% sandy rises with deep sand over brown clay soils.</p> <p><b>Xue</b> Swamps as for <b>XuC</b>, 30% water filled; 20-30% lunettes with shallow dark clay on calcrete, loam over dark grey clay on calcrete or shallow loam on calcrete, soils.</p> <p><b>Xuf</b> Swamps as for <b>XuC</b> above, with stony rises and/or very shallow over calcrete.</p> <p>Main soils:  <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Wet clay loam</u> - <b>N3</b> and <u>Peaty soil</u> - <b>N1</b>.  <b>Stony rises:</b> <u>Shallow calcareous loam on calcrete</u> - <b>B2</b>, <u>Gradational calcareous clay</u> - <b>A6</b>, <u>Shallow sandy loam on calcrete</u> - <b>B3</b> and <u>Shallow dark clay loam on limestone</u> - <b>B5</b>.  <b>Sandy rises:</b> <u>Thick sand over clay</u> - <b>G3</b>; <u>Wet highly leached sand</u> - <b>I2</b>.</p>
Xud	1.0	Swamp	N3	V	
		Sandy rise	G3I2	L	
Xue	1.8	Swamp	N3	V	
		Rise	A6B2	L	
Xuf	0.1	Swamp	N3	V	
		Stony rise	B2B3 B5	C	
XxC	0.2	Swamp	N1N3 WW	D	<p><b>XxC</b> Swamp with acid peat, or non-peaty loam over dark clay soils or water filled.</p> <p>Main soils:  <b>Swamps:</b> <u>Peaty soil</u> - <b>N1</b> and <u>Wet clay loam</u> - <b>N3</b>.</p>

# PROPORTION codes assigned to Soil Landscape Unit (SLU) components:

- D Dominant in extent (>90% of SLU)
- V Very extensive in extent (60–90% of SLU)
- E Extensive in extent (30–60% of SLU)
- C Common in extent (20–30% of SLU)
- L Limited in extent (10–20% of SLU)
- M Minor in extent (<10% of SLU)



**Detailed soil profile descriptions:**

- A6** Gradational calcareous clay loam (Pedal Hypercalcic-Lithocalcic Calcarosol on clayey subsoil)  
Calcareous loams to clay loams grading into brown-red clay. Often rubbly.
- A7** Calcareous clay loam on marl (Marly Calcarosol)  
Dark calcareous clay with a marly subsoil (often saline in Upper SE). Often with shells and a peaty surface.
- B2** Shallow calcareous sandy loam on calcrete (Petrocalcic Calcarosol)  
Up to 40 cm calcareous loamy sand to sandy loam with variable calcrete rubble overlying calcreted calcarenite - rises.
- B3** Shallow sandy loam on calcrete (Petrocalcic Rudosol)  
Medium thickness non calcareous sandy loam, often having a slight clay increase with depth, over calcreted calcarenite shallower than 50 cm - rises.
- B4** Red sandy loam over calcrete (Petrocalcic, Red Dermosol)  
Medium thickness red sandy loam grading to friable red clay loam over calcreted calcarenite within 50 cm - rises.
- B5** Shallow dark clay loam on limestone (Petrocalcic, Black Dermosol)  
Black clay loam to light clay over calcreted limestone at shallow depth, grading to highly calcareous clay - flats.
- B6** Shallow sandy loam over red-brown clay on calcrete (Petrocalcic, Red Kandosol)  
Medium thickness sandy loam with slight ironstone gravel overlying a weakly structured reddish brown sandy clay on calcarenite within 50 cm - rises.
- B7** Shallow sand over sandy clay on calcrete (Petrocalcic, Brown Chromosol)  
Medium thickness sand overlying brown friable sandy clay to clay on limestone or calcreted sandy clay within 50 cm - flats.
- C5** Gradational dark clay loam (Calcic-Hypercalcic Brown-Grey-Black Dermosol-Calcarosol)  
Dark clay loam over abundant 'soft lime'. >10% carbonate is the cut off between this and M2 soils.
- E1** Black cracking clay (Black Vertosol)
- E3** Brown or grey cracking clay (Brown-Grey Vertosol)
- F1** Loam over brown or dark clay (Brown-Dark Chromosol-Sodosol)  
Topsoil >30 cm over a poorly structured subsoil, or else, subsoil structure is good. Loamy to clay loamy texture contrast soil with brown clayey subsoil. Loamy, reasonable depth A, and OK structured clay subsoil.
- F2** Sandy loam over poorly structured brown or dark clay (Brown-Dark Sodosol-Chromosol)  
Topsoil <30 cm over a poorly structured subsoil. Loamy, often sandy loam, to clay loamy texture contrast soil with a sodic/dispersive/poorly structured brown clayey subsoil. Often sandy loam, usually with a bleached horizon, and thin topsoil over a poorly structured B.
- G3** Thick sand over clay (Hypercalcic, Brown Sodosol/ Chromosol)  
Thick bleached sand with an organically darkened surface abruptly overlying a massive to coarsely structured brown to reddish yellow sandy clay to clay, calcareous with depth - rises.
- G4** Sand over poorly structured clay (Sandy Brown-Red Sodosol-Chromosol)  
Topsoil <30 cm over a poorly structured subsoil. Thin sandy texture contrast soil with a sodic /dispersive /poorly structured brown or red clayey subsoil. Can have some ironstone.
- G5** Sand over acidic clay (Sandy Brown Kurosol)  
Sandy texture contrast soil with a friable brown strongly acidic clayey to clay loamy subsoil. Very acidic soil; incipient Bh horizons; moderate depth topsoils. Some with ironstone.





- H3** Deep bleached sand (Basic, Arenic, Bleached-Orthic Tenosol)  
Grey sand over very thick bleached sand grading to yellow sand continuing below 100 cm.
- I1** Highly leached sand (Fragic, Pipey, Aeric Podosol)  
Grey sand with a very thick bleached A2 layer, over dark brown and yellow massive soft to semi-hard clayey sand (coffee rock), grading to softer yellow and brown sand to sandy clay loam from about 80 cm.
- I2** Wet highly leached sand (Fragic, Humic, Aquic Podosol)  
Grey sand with a thick bleached A2 horizon, overlying a thin to thick layer of coffee rock, grading to pale brown sand sharply overlying a grey, brown and yellow mottled sandy clay loam to light clay.
- M2** Deep friable gradational clay loam (Red-Brown-Grey- Black Dermosol)  
Deep well structured red clay loamy soil.
- M4** Deep hard gradational sandy loam (Hard Brown-Dark Kandosol- Dermosol)  
Deep dark brown loamy to clay loamy soil grading to clay at depth. Hardsetting surface often with prismatic structures in the subsoil.
- N1** Peat (Organosol)  
Peaty soil.
- N3** Seasonally waterlogged, non to marginally saline equivalents of soils listed above, viz.:  
**N3c** Wet **G3**  
**N3d** Wet **B5**  
**N3e** Wet **B7**
- WW** Water

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