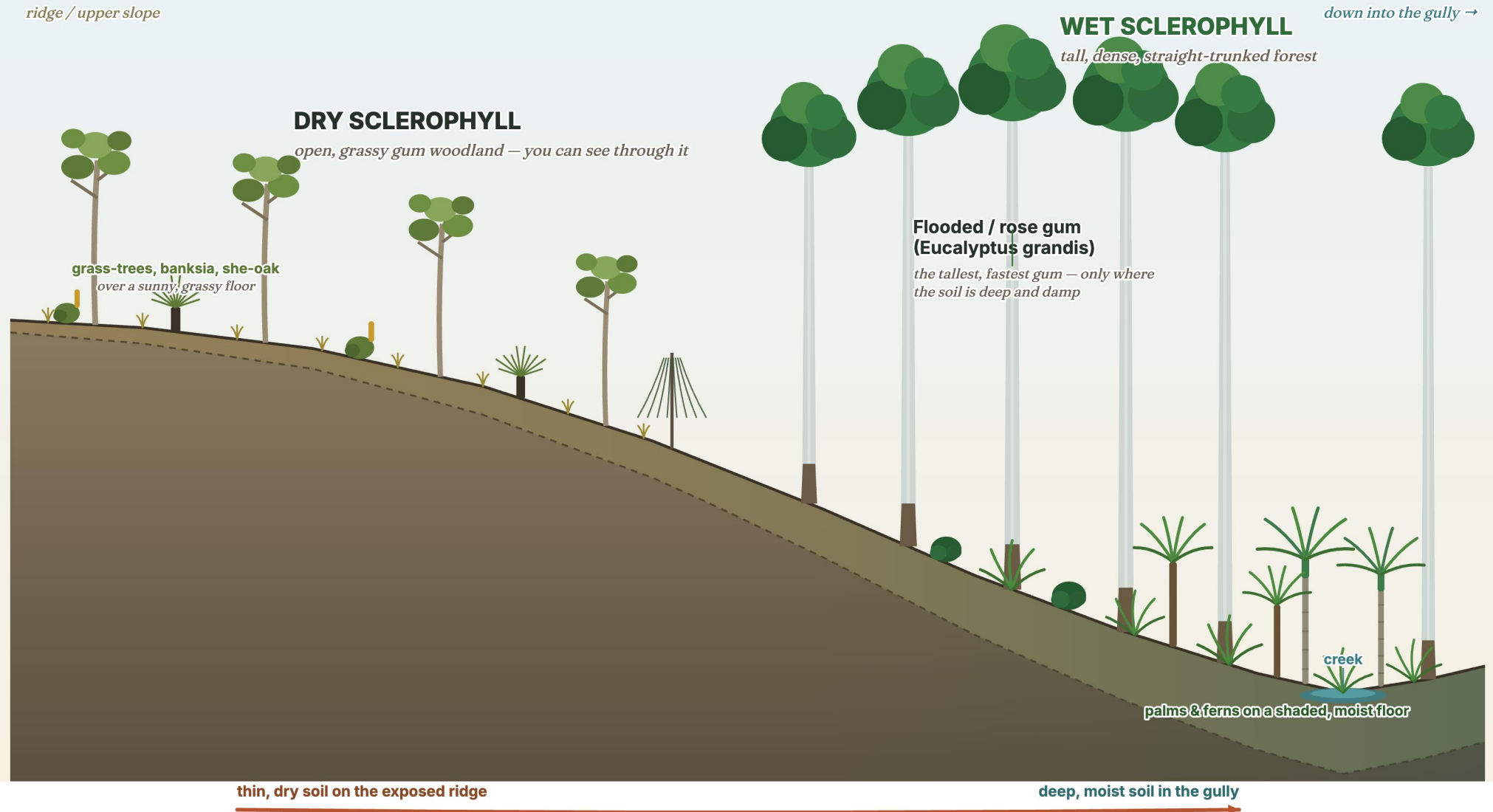


Both forests on one hill

The gum forest splits itself in two — dry sclerophyll on the starved ridge, wet sclerophyll down in the moist gully.



One hillside, one family of trees, two forests: an open, grassy gum woodland on the thin dry ridge gives way, as the soil deepens and the damp collects, to the tall flooded gums of the gully.

Schematic slope-to-gully cross-section (after Mount Ninderry); heights, depths and spacing not to scale.