'man' : mare (DT)

37.2b* Maridjabin * Area little west of Daly
(63Nr.) River Mission (from DT's map)

Maredjabin (AIAS), Maretyabin (DT, SAW), Maredyerbin ('RLS'), Maridyerbin (63Nr. 'RLS'), Maredyebin (WGH), Maritjapin (Walsh); alternative name: Danggural.

Tryon and Hoddinott have both studied this dialect, the latter working on a depth study. Most speakers (c. 20) have now removed from Daly River Mission to Port Keats. Walsh has collected vocabulary and grammar and recorded songs.

'man' : mare (DT); meri (WGH); ma or ma tjikim lit.
'man black' (Walsh)

37.2c* Maridjiel * Between Hermit Hill N7, N57 (AIAS N7) and Port Keats (AC)

Means 'those who speak the paper bark language'

Maridjiel (AC, AIAS), Marathiel (?), Marithiel (T, SAW, DT, Stanner), Maridiyal, Maridiyel, Maridjiyel (WGH); Brinken (a term of abuse meaning 'alien' used by others - Stanner, AC, DT, SAW), Berinken (T, Stanner), Berringin (Basedow), Bringen (AIAS)

Originally classified as Brinken, the principal language of the Brinken Family. Has a 89.1% cognate density with Maredjabin and 76.5% with Mareammu. Hoddinott reports (1973) a few speakers remain at Daly River and at Wooliana but most have removed to Port Keats. Tryon's 1967 figure of 65 speakers is the latest known. Hoddinott has included some study of this dialect with his study of Maredjabin. Walsh says his informants equate this dialect not only with Brinken, but also with Gandjedjidje and Maridan, 33Nr.

'man' : mare (DT); meri (WGH)

37.2d* Mariamu ** Area a little inland between Moyle and Daly Rivers (from DT's map)