

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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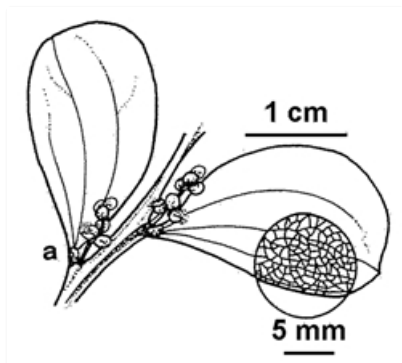
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Shrub. Photographer Neil Blair, Mt Buffalo, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria Board



Open pod and seeds. Photographer Neil Blair, Mt Buffalo, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria Board



Line drawing: a. flowering branch. Inset: detail of veins in 'leaf'. MMBir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Alpine wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Woodland and **heath**, often among rocks, mostly between 1300 and 1800m altitude. ACT, the mountains to the west, and Kosciuszko National Park and west.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m tall, sometimes almost **prostrate**. Seeds with large top shaped **arils**. Branchlets angled or flattened towards the tips, hairless. 'Leaves' **alternating** up the stems, 1.5-4.5 cm long, 8-27 mm wide, often one margin slightly rounder, the other more straight, surfaces hairless, often slightly **glaucous**, with 2-4 prominent longitudinal **veins**, tips blunt, sometimes with a **mucro**. Flower **heads** oval to cylindrical, 5-20 mm long, yellow, single or paired, on flower stalks 0-4 mm long. Flowers Spring to early Summer.

Family was Mimosaceae.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

Rare Victoria.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Acacia~alpina> (accessed 3 April, 2021)

World Wide Wattle line drawings, photos, and description: <http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?p=0&l=a&id=23545&o=1>

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