

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, south of Wagga Wagga



Leafy stem with pods. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, south of Wagga Wagga

## Common name

Drooping wattle

## Family

Fabaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, and **mallee**. Western Slopes.

## Notes

Tree or **shrub** to 7 m high. Fleshy seed stalks/**arils**. Branchlets 3-angled or flattened, hairless. 'Leaves' **alternating** up the stems, 6–20 cm long, 4–30 mm wide, hairless, green or somewhat **glaucous**, **midvein** prominent, a less prominent longitudinal **vein** close to the upper margin, tips somewhat pointed to blunt, one side of the base sometimes longer than the other side. 1 or 2 **marginal glands**, the lower **gland** 5–30 mm above the base and sometimes touching the uppermost longitudinal vein or connected to it by a fine oblique vein. Leaves often hanging down. Flower **heads** yellow, globular, 3.5–5 mm in diameter, 15–35 flowered (easiest seen in late buds), in elongated clusters of 3–25 flower heads, sometimes in a larger branched cluster. Flowers sporadically, mainly summer.

Family was Mimosaceae.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Acacia-difformis> (accessed 29 April 2021)

World Wide Wattle line drawings and photos: <http://worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?p=0&l=d&id=23632&o=1>

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