

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra

Common name

Lunate-leaved acacia

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **woodland** on sandstone, often near streams. Tablelands, ranges, and coast, north from west of Moss Vale. Doubtfully **naturalised** in the ACT.

Notes

Shrub to 3 m tall. Fleshy seed stalks/**arils**. Branchlets angled, becoming cylindrical and ridged, hairless. 'Leaves' **alternating** up the stems, 1.5-3.5 cm long, 2.5-9 mm wide, the upper margin usually shallowly convex-curved, the lower margin more or less straight to shallowly concave-curved (sometimes convex), surfaces green, more or less **glaucous** when young, hairless or with a few **marginal** hairs near the 'leaf' base, **midvein** towards the upper margin and not prominent, tips pointed to blunt with a **mucro**. Flower **heads** yellow, globular, 4.5-6 mm in diameter, 3-5 flowered (easiest seen in late buds), in elongated clusters of 2-23 flower heads. Flowering: July–November, mainly August–September.

Family was Mimosaceae.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Acacia-lunata> (accessed 27 April 2021)

World Wide Wattle line drawings, photos, and description: <http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?p=0&l=&id=23727&o=1>

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