

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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



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Shrubs. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Goobang National Park near Parkes

Common name

Hairy silver wattle, Velvet acacia, Hoary silver wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **woodland**, often on rocky ridges. Western Slopes and tablelands, north from Boorowa.

Notes

Shrub or tree to 6 m tall. Fleshy seed stalks/**arils**. Bark smooth or finely fissured at the base. Branchlets more or less cylindrical with low inconspicuous ridges, densely hairy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, **compound**, stalk densely hairy, 1 **gland** on the stalk at the base of or near the lowest pair of **pinnae**. Rachis 1-6.5 cm long, densely hairy, **jugary glands** present (hairy and often obscured by the **rachis** hairs), **interjugary** glands absent. 8-20 pinnae each 0.8-4 cm long and with 14-54 leaflets each 0.25-0.75 cm long, less than 1 mm wide, covered with long fine silvery hairs. Flower **heads** yellow, globular, 3-6 mm in diameter, 20-42 flowered (easiest seen in late buds), in many-flowered clusters. Flowers most of the year. Pods densely silvery grey-hairy to rusty-hairy.

Family was Mimosaceae.

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

World Wide Wattle line drawings, photos, and description: <http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?p=0&l=m&id=23744&o=1>

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