

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, Flat Rock State Forest west of Uladulla



Pods and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, near Tarago



Leaf details. Australian Plant Image Index, photographers RG & FJ Richardson, Point Arboretum near Coleraine, Vic



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Peter Orray, Aranda, Canberra, ACT

Common name

Parramatta green wattle, Sydney green wattle, Parramatta wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **woodland**. Coast, ranges, tablelands, and ACT.

Notes

Shrub or tree to 20 m tall. Fleshy seed stalks/**arils**. Bark smooth or fissured. Branchlets more or less cylindrical with low ridges, hairy, becoming hairless. Young shoots with golden hairs. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, **compound**, usually 1 **gland** on the stalk at the base of, or to about 5 mm below, the lowermost pair of **pinnae**. **Rachis** 1.5-13 cm long, with minute, mostly sparse, **appressed** hairs, or more or less hairless, **jugary** glands present, 1 or rarely 2 **interjugary** gland(s) between some or all pairs of pinnae or absent (often on only some leaves). 6-32 pinnae each 1.5-10 cm long and with 28-124 leaflets each 0.2-0.9 cm long, 0.5-1 mm wide, surfaces hairless except along the margins. Flower **heads** yellow to cream, globular, 20-50 flowered (easiest seen in late buds), 4-8 mm in diameter, in branched and elongated clusters. Flowers most of the year, usually Summer in the ACT.

Family was Mimosaceae.

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

Can be difficult to distinguish from *Acacia mearnsii* when not in flower. Hybridises with both subspecies of *Acacia dealbata*, at least in the ACT.

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

World Wide Wattle photos, line drawings and description: <http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?p=0&l=p&id=20585&o=1>

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