Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems and 'leaves'. Australian Flant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Flower heads, pods, and 'leaves'. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, near Forster



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Line drawing. d. flowering branch showing bracts. M Mbir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Sweet wattle, Sweet-scented wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry forest, woodland, and heath. Coast and ranges. Sightings on the tablelands.

Notes

Shrub to 3 m tall. Bark smooth. Fleshy seed stalks/arils. Branchlets angled to flattened, hairless, sometimes glaucous. 'Leaves' alternating up the stems, 5-15 cm long, 2-10 mm wide, hairless, more or less glaucous, midvein prominent, margins more or less prominent, tips pointed with a mucro. Flower heads pale yellow to white, globular, 3-10 flowered (easiest seen in late buds), 4-7 mm in diameter, enclosed when young by conspicuous, overlapping bracts, in elongated clusters of 5-12 flower heads. Flowers Autumn to Spring.

Family was Mimosaceae.

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Acacia~suaveolens (accessed 28 April 2021)

World Wide Wattle photos, line drawings and description: http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?
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