Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flow ering stems and 'leaves'. Photographer Don Wood, between Bermagui and Tathra



Shrub. Photographer Teresa Vane der Heul, north of Tathra



Line drawing. a. flow ering branch. MMbir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Bower wattle, River wattle, Narrow-leaf bower wattle, Sticky bower wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Wet forest, often in moist gullies and along streams. Coast and ranges south of Tuross Head.

Notes

Tree or **shrub** to 12 m tall. Fleshy seed stalks/**arils**. Bark smooth. Branchlets cylindrical, with low ridges **alternating** with resinous bands, arching to weeping, surfaces hairless to hairy with short hairs, and often sticky. 'Leaves' alternating up the stems, 4-12 cm long, 4-11 mm wide, dotted with resin **glands**, often sticky, hairless but the margins more or less **appressed**-hairy, 2–5 main longitudinal **veins** with minor longitudinal and **lateral** veins between, tips pointed or somewhat pointed. Flower **heads** yellow, globular, 16-30 flowered (easiest seen in late buds), 5-9 mm in diameter, in clusters of 1-3. Flowers Winter to Summer.

Family was Mimosaceae.

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Intermediate forms between narrow-leaved Acacia cognata and broader-leaved Acacia subporosa occur.

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

World Wide Wattle photos, line drawings and description: http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php? p=0&l=s&id=23840&o=1

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