

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering branch. Photographer Don Wood, South East Forests National Park



Flowering branches with flower buds. Photographer Jackie Miles



Shrubs. Photographer Jackie Miles

Common name

Tall acrotriche

Family

Ericaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, **shrubland**, and rocky areas. Ranges, tablelands, and ACT.

Notes

Shrub to 1.3 m high. Leaves with sharp tips. Fruit fleshy. Young branchlets hairy with fine hairs, soon hairless. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, **spreading** to horizontal, 0.5–1.4 cm long, 1.5–3.5 mm wide, upper surface dull green, lower surface **glaucous** and waxy white. Flowers tubular, with 5 lobes. Tube greenish, often with a reddish tinge at the tips, 1.5–2.5 mm long; lobes 1.0–1.2 mm long with a fringe of hairs at the tips and with 5 tufts of hairs spreading across the throat. Flowers in clusters 2.5–5 mm long, of 3–6 flowers, on first year or previous seasons's wood. Flowers May–Dec. Fruit pearly white, translucent.

Family was Epacridaceae.

Rare Vic.

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

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Acrotriche~leucocarpa> (accessed 2 January, 2021)

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