Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers. Australian Flant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Barrington Tops National Park



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, rainforest remnant, Princes Highway, north of Miton



Fruit and leaves. Australian Flant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Waite Institute, Adelaide, SA

Common name

Native quince, Wild quince, Bird's eye

Family

Sapindaceae

Where found

Rainforest, sometimes in rocky areas and gullies. Widespread in coastal districts.

Notes

Tree or shrub to 18 m high. Seeds with a fleshy aril. Trunk often fluted or flanged. Bark smooth with numerous corky blisters and horizontal lines. Branchlets hairy with fine hairs, becoming hairless. Leaves alternating up the stems, 7–20 cm long, compound, with 2–8 leaflets each 5–15 cm long, 20–50 mm wide, margins toothed (especially in the upper half), tips blunt or pointed. Male and female flowers usually on the same plant. Flowers whitish to pink or greenish, 2-3 mm in diameter, with 5 petals. Flowers in clusters 10-15 cm long. Seed case usually 2-lobed. Seeds black, with red arils.

Endangered Vic. Listed in the Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act, Vic.

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

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