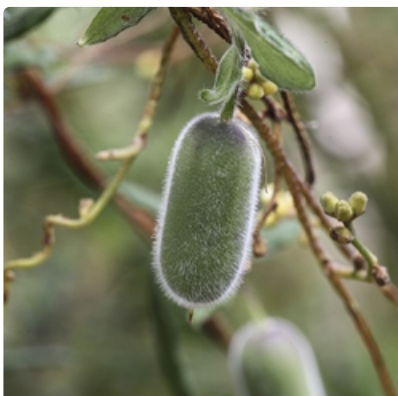


# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Photographer Richard Hartland, Genoa, Vic



Fruit. Photographer David Lachlin, Sydney



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer C Green, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT

## Common name

Hairy apple berry, Velvet apple-berry, Common apple-berry

## Family

Pittosporaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, and **heath**. Widespread.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 1 m high or sometimes a **perennial** twiner. New shoots densely hairy, older surfaces rough. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 1.5–8 cm long, 3–18 mm wide, hairy. Flowers 6–24 mm long, greenish yellow to yellow, becoming pinker with age, **sepals** yellow, tinged pink. Flowers tubular, with 5 lobes, the lobes becoming free to about halfway along the tube, the tips somewhat curved back. Flower stalks stout, 5–12 mm long, flowers **erect** to nodding. Flowers in clusters of 1–3. Flowers spring–summer. Fruit brown when ripe, hairy, edible.

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

Rare Vic (as *Billardiera scandens* var. *brachyantha*).

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswf1&lvl=sp&name=Billardiera~scandens> (accessed 5 January, 2020)

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