

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Wandera State Forest north west of Moruya



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney

## Common name

A Bossiaea

## Family

Fabaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest** and **woodland**. Mostly in the Sydney area and Blue Mountains. Ranges as far south as Wadbilliga National Park.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 2 m tall, mostly hairless. Stems more or less flat at least when young, more or less hairless. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 0.3-1.2 cm long, 3-12 mm wide. Flowers 7-12 mm long, pea shaped with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**. Front of **standard** petal yellow with a red flare, back partly flushed red, **wings** predominantly but sometimes patchily brownish red, keel pinkish grading to dark purplish red. Flowers Winter to Spring.

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

Description partly based on Thompson, I.R., (2012) A revision of eastern Australian *Bossiaea* (Fabaceae: Bossiadeae). *Muelleria* 30(2): 150-151

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