

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



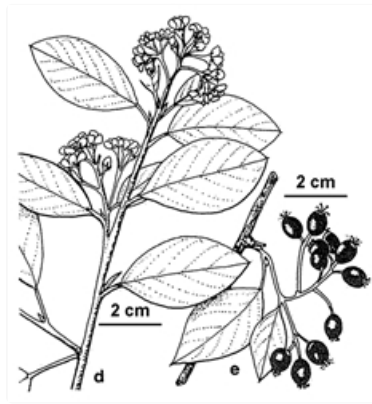
Flowers and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, near Bodalla



Green and ripe fruit and leaves. Photographer John Tann, near Sydney



Fruiting shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Canberra, ACT



Line drawings. d. flowering branch; e. fruits. EM Mayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Glaucous Cotoneaster, Bright Bead Cotoneaster, Cotoneaster

Family

Rosaceae

Where found

Urban bushland, **woodland**, **grassland**, roadsides, disturbed sites, coastal environs, and along streams. Mainly Sydney area, ACT, coast, and along the Hume and Great Western Highways.

Notes

Introduced evergreen shrub to 5 m high. Fruit fleshy. Young stems hairy, becoming hairless. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 2–8 cm long, 15–40 mm wide, upper surface hairless, lower surface white-hairy, sometimes becoming hairless or slightly **glaucous**, tips blunt to pointed, **mucronate**. Flowers white, 5–8 mm in diameter, with 5 **petals**. Flowers in 20–60 flowered clusters. Flowers spring– summer. Fruit orange to red, 6–8 mm in diameter, usually with 2 'seeds'.

Family was Malaceae.

General Biosecurity Duty all NSW. Pest plant ACT.

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

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