

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, near Candelo



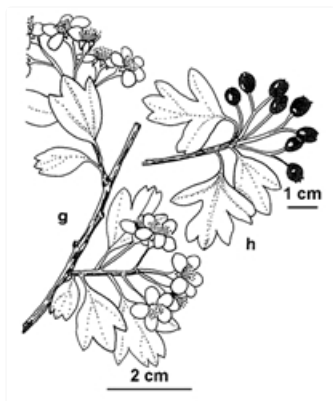
Ripe fruit and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, near Bombala



Spiny stem. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer R Taylor, Fleurieu Peninsula, SA



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Bungendore to Hoskinstown.



Line drawings. g. flowering shoot; h. fruiting shoot. E.M. Mayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

## Common name

Hawthorn

## Family

Rosaceae

## Where found

**Forest** margins, **woodland**, grassy areas, roadsides, old gardens, disturbed sites, and along streams. Widespread.

## Notes

**Deciduous** tree or **shrub** to about 10 m tall. Spines 5-25 mm long along the stems, the short side-branches also ending in a spine.

Bark smooth, becoming somewhat roughened towards the base of older plants. Stems hairless to hairy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 1–6 cm long, 10–60 mm wide, often 3–7-lobed and coarsely toothed. Flowers fragrant, white, cream, or pink, 8–15 mm in diameter, with 5 **petals**. Flowers in dense 6–15 flowered clusters. Flowers Oct.–Dec. Fruit red, yellow on the inside, 1-seeded.

Family was Malaceae.

General Biosecurity Duty all NSW. Pest plant ACT. Noxious weed Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Crataegus~monogyna> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

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