

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Common name

A Darwinia

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, **heath**, and **shrubland**. Coast and ranges mostly between the Illawarra Highway and the South Western Motorway.

Notes

Shrub, prostrate with stems to 2.5m long, to 0.5 m tall. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite each other, 0.8-1.8 cm long, 0.6-2.2 mm wide, hairless. Flowers with 5 **sepals** 1.5-2 mm long, and 5 curved **petals** about 1.4-1.8 mm long, at the top of the **floral tube**. Floral tube 7-12 mm long, at first white, soon becoming dark red. **Style** 12-20 mm long, dark red. Each flower surrounded by 2 yellow-green or yellow-brown **bracteoles** 4-8 mm long, which persist after the flowers open. Flowers in clusters of 4-6, arranged in pairs. Flowers Winter.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Darwinia~grandiflora> (accessed 9 January, 2021)

Additional information in Briggs, B.G. (1962) The New South Wales Species of *Darwinia*. *Contributions from the New South Wales National Herbarium*. 3(3): 139-140

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