Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Rowering stem Photographer lan McMaster, near Wollongong

Common name

A heath.

Family

Ericaceae

Where found

Forest, heath, and shrubland, on sandstone cliffs and in rock crevices. Coastal between Bulli and Royal National Park. Ranges and tablelands north from about Kangaroo Valley.

Notes

Shrub to 1 m high, sometimes more. Older stems with prominent, cup-shaped leaf scars. Branchlets hairy. Leaves scattered or overlapping, 0.38–1.24 cm long, 3.2–7.6 mm wide, thick, flat to concave in cross section, bases stem-clasping, tips often curved, margins more or less entire. Flowers white or cream, 5-6.5 mm in diameter, tubular, the tube 1.5-2.5 mm long, with 5 spreading lobes each 2.3–3.2 mm long. No hairs on the inside of the flowers. Flowers in leafy clusters. Flowering: September-October.

Family was Epacridaceae.

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Epacris~coriacea (accessed 12 January, 2021)

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