

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

Common name

A heath

Family

Ericaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** on sandstone rock faces or at the base of cliffs. Blue Mountains and west towards Lithgow

Notes

Shrub to 0.3 m high. Old stems dark brown with prominent leaf scars. Young branches rounded, hairy, red-brown. Leaves scattered or overlapping, 0.6–1.4 cm long, 2–4 mm wide, hairless or hairy; tips blunt; margins **entire** and thickened; 3 longitudinal **veins** prominent. Flowers creamish-white, 4–5 mm in diameter, tubular, the tube 7–9 mm long, with 5 **spreading** lobes. No hairs on the inside of the flowers. Flowers at the bases of the leaves, extending down new branches. Flowering: Nov–Dec

Family was Epacridaceae.

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

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