

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



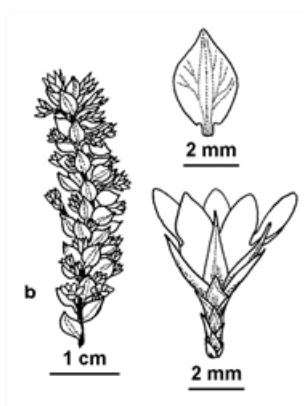
Leafy stems. Photographer Jackie Miles, Kanangra Boyd National Park



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Shrub. Photographer Jackie Miles, Kanangra Boyd National Park



Line drawings (as *Epacris microphylla* var. *rhombifolia*). b. flowering branch; leaf undersurface; flower. BVMayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Mountain coral heath

Family

Ericaceae

Where found

Wet **heath**, along watercourses, and in bogs. Blue Mountains and the tablelands west from there. Ranges south east of Cooma. Namadgi National Park, ACT, to Scabby Range just west of the ACT.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m high. Branchlets rounded, hairy, brown to reddish brown. Old stems brown, with raised pointed leaf scars. Leaves crowded, overlapping each other on younger branches, then **spreading** down older branches, 0.22–0.44 cm long, 1.6–3.2 mm wide, hairless, flat, tips blunt, **mucronate** and slightly curved, margins slightly translucent, **entire** or rough towards the leaf tips, **blades** more or less diamond-shaped and virtually flat. Flowers white, 3.8–5 mm in diameter, the tube bell-shaped, with 5 spreading lobes. **Sepals**, and the **bracts** just below the flowers, white, red-tinged. No hairs on the inside of the flowers. Flowers in the **axils** along branches. Flowering: December to early March.

Was *Epacris microphylla* var. *rhombifolia*.

Family was Epacridaceae.

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

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