

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower buds on stem. Australian Plant Image Index, photographers Brooker & Kleinig, unknown place



Gumnuts on stem. Australian Plant Image Index, photographers Brooker & Kleinig, unknown place



Bark. Photographer Danielle Langlois, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Tree. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT

Common name

Camden white gum, Bentham's gum

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Wet to open **forest** on periodically flooded sites along valley floors. Western Sydney area and Blue Mountains from Richmond to Nattai National Park.

Notes

Tree to 40 m high. Bark usually smooth throughout, shedding in short ribbons or flakes. Often with rough, flaky, partially adherent bark at the base of the trunk. **Juvenile** stems rounded in cross section, often slightly **glaucous**. Juvenile leaves opposite each other for many pairs, 3–9 cm long, 20–40 mm wide, stem-clasping, dull, blue- or grey-green to glaucous. **Adult** leaves **alternating** up the stems, 8–23 cm long, 12–27 mm wide, glossy or dull, green. Flowers white, with 0 **petals**. Flower clusters 7-flowered. Mature flower buds 3–5 mm long, caps shorter than the base. Flowers throughout the year. Gumnuts 4–6 mm in diameter. Gumnuts that have dropped their seed have protruding **valves** or valves that are not very noticeable.

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NSW Threatened Species profile: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedSpeciesApp/profile.aspx?id=10284> (accessed 5 January, 2021)

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Eucalyptus-benthamii> (accessed 5 January, 2021)

EUCLID description: https://apps.lucidcentral.org/euclid/text/entities/eucalyptus_benthamii.htm (accessed 5 January, 2021)

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