

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower buds and leaves. Photographer Russell Best, Macedon Ras, Vic



Juvenile leaves. Photographer James Booth, east of Whittlesea, Vic



Trunk. Photographer Sue Guymer, Balwyn, east of Melbourne, Vic



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Common name

Mealy stringybark, Silver stringybark

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Forest and **woodland**. Coast and ranges south of Eden.

Notes

Tree to 20 m tall. Bark rough throughout, on the trunk and large branches, or the branches smooth. Rough bark thick, fibrous, longitudinally fissured, grey or grey-brown over brown. Branchlets often **glaucous**. **Juvenile** stems rounded in cross section, usually glaucous. Juvenile leaves opposite each other and stalkless for many pairs, 2.5-8.5 cm long, 17-65 mm wide, dull, blue-green or grey-green to glaucous or occasionally green. **Crown** green, or silvery due to glaucous new tips growth. **Adult** leaves **alternating** up the stems, 8.5-25 cm long, 8-30 mm wide, glossy or dull, green to blue-green or grey-green. Flowers white, with 0 **petals**. Flower clusters 7-11 flowered. Mature flower buds 3-8 mm long, caps as long as or much longer than the base. Flowers Summer-Winter. Gumnuts 4-8 mm in diameter. Gumnuts that have dropped their seed have protruding **valves** or valves that are not very noticeable.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Eucalyptus~cephalocarpa> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

EUCLID description: https://apps.lucidcentral.org/euclid/text/entities/eucalyptus_cephalocarpa.htm (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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