

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



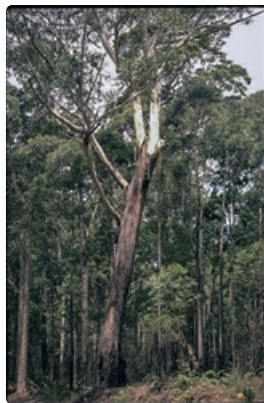
Flower buds. Photographer Peter Woodard, unknown place



Gumnuts, leaves, and bark. Photographer Jackie Miles



Juvenile foliage. Photographer Jackie Miles



Tree. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Denise Grieg, Kooloa State Forest north of Batemans Bay

Common name

Blackbutt

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Wet or grassy **forest**. Coast and ranges. Occasionally tablelands.

Notes

Tree to 70 m tall. Bark rough on the lower half of the trunk to over the whole trunk. Rough bark finely fibrous to stringy, grey or grey-brown. Smooth bark above, shedding in long ribbons, often with scribbles. **Juvenile** stems square in cross section. Juvenile leaves stalkless, opposite each other for many pairs (until the early sapling stage), 5.5-13 cm long, 10-36 mm wide, dull, green, upper and lower surfaces different colours. **Adult** leaves **alternating** up the stems, 7.5-19.5 cm long, 12-32 mm wide, glossy, green. Flowers white, with 0 **petals**. Flower clusters 7-15 flowered. Mature flower buds 6–10 mm long, caps at least as long as the base. Flowers most of the year. Gumnuts 7-12 mm in diameter. Gumnuts that have dropped their seed have **valves** that are not very noticeable.

Sometimes hybridises with *Eucalyptus acmenoides*.

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

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