

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and buds on leafy stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



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



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



Mallee. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Scottsdale Bush Heritage Reserve near Bredbo

## Common name

Silver-leafed Gum, Silver-leafed Mountain Gum

## Family

Myrtaceae

## Where found

Open **forest** and grassy **woodland** as an understorey plant. Tablelands and Blue Mountains.

## Notes

Tree or **mallee** to 10 m tall. Bark smooth throughout or with some short thin persistent rough ribbons at the base of old trunks, Smooth bark shedding in long ribbons. Branchlets **glaucous**. Juvenile stems rounded in cross section, glaucous. Juvenile leaves opposite each other, 1.5–5 cm long, 20–50 mm wide, glaucous. **Crown** usually entirely of **juvenile** leaves. **Adult** leaves very rarely produced, **alternating** up the stems or opposite each other, 5–10 cm long, 12–20 mm wide, dull, usually glaucous. Flowers white, with 0 **petals**. Mature flower buds 7–11 mm long, conspicuously glaucous. Bud caps shorter than the base. Flower clusters 3 flowered, at the base of usually paired leaves. Flowers autumn-spring. Nuts 6–11 mm in diameter. Nuts 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=10308> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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

EUCLID description: [https://apps.lucidcentral.org/euclid/text/entities/eucalyptus\\_pulverulenta.htm](https://apps.lucidcentral.org/euclid/text/entities/eucalyptus_pulverulenta.htm) (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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