

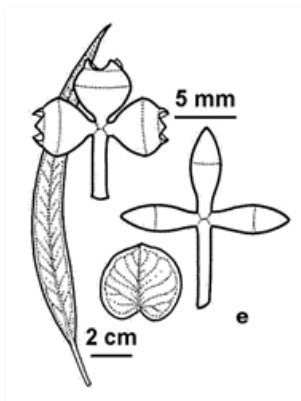
# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower buds on leafy stem. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Peter Ormay, Canberra, ACT



Juvenile leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Peter Ormay, Canberra, ACT



Line drawings. e. juvenile (right) and adult (left) leaves; buds and gumnuts. KR Thiele, Australian National Herbarium, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board, Melbourne, Vic



Tree. Photographer Jackie Miles

## Common name

Candlebark, Ribbon gum, White gum

## Family

Myrtaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, and grassy areas, usually on cold flats. Western Slopes, Kosciuszko National Park, the mountains to the north, ACT, and tablelands. Occasionally in the ranges.

## Notes

Tree to 40 m tall. Bark smooth throughout or with some patches of rough, greyish bark at the base. Rough bark shortly fibrous, platy, at times shedding irregularly, grey to grey-black. Smooth bark shedding in long ribbons, with horizontal black scars, often **powdery**. Branchlets **glaucous** or non-glaucous. **Juvenile** stems rounded in cross section, glaucous. Juvenile leaves opposite each other for many pairs, stalkless, 2-6 cm long, 25-65 mm wide, glaucous. **Adult** leaves **alternating** up the stems, 6.8-17.5 cm long, 8-34 mm wide, glossy or dull, green, grey-green, or glaucous. Flowers white, with 0 **petals**. Flower clusters 3- or 7- flowered. Mature flower buds 4-9 mm long, caps as long as or shorter than the base. Flowers Spring-Autumn. Gumnuts 4-8 mm in diameter. Gumnuts that have dropped their seed have protruding **valves** or valves that are not very noticeable.

Hybridises with *Eucalyptus aggregata* and *Eucalyptus nortonii*. May hybridise with *Eucalyptus parvula*.

*Eucalyptus rubida* subsp. *septemflora*, still in PlantNET on 20 April 2021 (7-flowered clusters) is now included in *Eucalyptus rubida* subsp. *rubida*.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Eucalyptus-rubida> (accessed 20 April 2021)

EUCLID description: [https://apps.lucidcentral.org/euclid/text/entities/eucalyptus\\_rubida\\_subsp.\\_rubida.htm](https://apps.lucidcentral.org/euclid/text/entities/eucalyptus_rubida_subsp._rubida.htm) (accessed 20

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