

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Buds and leaves. Photographer Peter Woodard, Pigeon House Mountain west of Uladulla



Base of mallee. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer C Green, Maryborough, Vic

Common name

Pigeon House ash, Three-flowered ash

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Woodland on steep slopes and in rocky areas. Ranges and eastern edge of the tablelands north from west of Bodalla to west of Nowra.

Notes

Tree or **mallee** to 15 m tall. Bark smooth throughout, with scribbles, shedding in ribbons. The largest trees with a stocking of compacted rough bark at the base of the trunk, dark grey to brown. **Juvenile** stems rounded in cross section, very warty on the lower stems. Juvenile leaves 4-11 cm long, 15-40 mm wide, opposite each other for about 3-5 pairs, then **alternating** up the stems, glossy, green, upper and lower surfaces different colours. **Adult** leaves alternating up the stems, 7-16 long, 8-30 mm wide, glossy, green. Flowers white, with 0 **petals**. Flower clusters 3-flowered, occasionally 7-flowered. Mature flower buds 5-8 mm long, caps shorter than the base. Flowers Summer-Autumn. Gumnuts 7-12 mm in diameter. Gumnuts that have dropped their seed have protruding **valves** or valves that are not very noticeable.

Hybridises with *Eucalyptus burgessiana* in the ranges north from Jervis Bay.

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

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

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