

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Glen Leiper, Qld

## Common name

Scrub ironwood

## Family

Myrtaceae

## Where found

**Forest.** Coast and ranges north from the Kiama district.

## Notes

**Shrub** or tree to 18 m tall. Fruit fleshy. Bark smooth, mottled, shedding in small papery flakes. Young stems hairless. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite each other, 2.5-8 cm long, 10-35 mm wide, tips pointed, upper surface dull to moderately glossy, lower surface hairless, oil **glands** not crowded. Flowers with 5 white or pinkish **petals** each 3-5 mm long. Flowers mostly in clusters of 2-4 flowers, sometimes single or in larger branched clusters. Fruit black, globular, 4-6 mm in diameter. Flowers Spring to Autumn.

Was *Austromyrtus acmenoides*.

Endangered population in the Sydney Basin Bioregion south of the Georges River.

Provisions of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 No 63 relating to the protection of protected plants generally also apply to plants that are a threatened species or a part of a threatened ecological community.

NSW Threatened Species profile: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedSpeciesApp/profile.aspx?id=20278>  
(accessed 6 January, 2021)

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Gossia-acmenoides>  
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