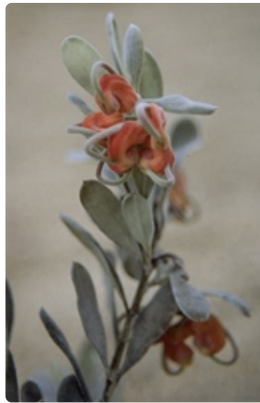


# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems (subsp. *arenaria*). Photographer Don Wood, Bomaderry Creek Regional Reserve near Nowra



Flowering stem (subsp. *canescens*). Australian Plant Image Index, photographer S Douglas, Abercrombie River National Park west of the Blue Mountains



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer unknown, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT

## Common name

Sand grevillea (subsp. *arenaria*), Hoary grevillea (subsp. *canescens*)

## Family

Proteaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, **shrubland**, rocky areas, and near streams. Widespread from north of Narooma to Kosciuszko National Park. On the Western Slopes mainly north of the area covered by this key.

subsp. *arenaria*: Mostly coast, ranges, and tablelands, north from the Moruya district. Rarely elsewhere. Naturalised in the ACT.

subsp. *canescens*: Ranges and tablelands west of the Sydney area and south to Wollongong. Kosciuszko National Park. Rarely elsewhere.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 4 m high. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 1.5–7.5 cm long, 3–15 mm wide, margins **entire** and curved to rolled down, lower surface hairy, upper surface somewhat **silky** to hairless, granular. Flowers with 4 '**petals**' joined together in pairs, '**petals**' red, pink or orange, often green or yellow at the base, sparsely to densely hairy outside, **bearded** usually above the middle inside. **Gynoecium** 22–32 mm long, **style** greenish, hairy. Flowers in clusters of 1–10 flowers. Flowering all year, especially spring.

In the absence of specific information, seeds of all species of *Grevillea* have been keyed as having one **wing**.

**subsp. arenaria**: lower surface of the leaves **tomentose** or covered in short shiny **appressed** hairs or long shaggy hairs. Gynoecium 22–27 mm long.

Occasionally hybridises with *Grevillea rosmarinifolia* subsp. *rosmarinifolia*, *Grevillea lanigera*, and *Grevillea mucronulata*.

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**subsp. canescens**: lower surface of the leaves **velvety** with short soft **erect** hairs. Gynoecium 26–32 mm long.

PlantNET description of species and key to subspecies: <http://plantnet.rbg Syd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Grevillea~arenaria> (accessed 19 January, 2021)

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