

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Photographer Austin Mast, unknown place



Flowering stems with immature 'nuts'. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



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



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

## Common name

A hakea

## Family

Proteaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest** on rocky outcrops. Blue Mountains and south to near Mittagong.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 7 m high. Leaf tips sharp. Very young growth hairy, usually becoming hairless with age. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 4–12 cm long, about 1.5 mm in diameter, rigid, cylindrical, sparsely to densely **appressed-silky**, often quickly becoming hairless, tips pointed outward with a **mucro** 1–2.5 mm long. Flowers with 4 white '**petals**' 5–7 mm long, free from each other when the flowers are fully open. **Gynoeceium** about 10 mm long. Unit clusters of 6–8 flowers, often close together. Flowering: summer. 'Nuts' almost round, 40–55 mm long, 30–40 mm wide, with crowded warty protuberances; not prominently beaked. Seeds with one **wing**.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Hakea~constablei> (accessed 8 April 2021)

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