

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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



Stem with young 'nut'. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Stems with mature 'nuts'. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



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Common name

A hakea

Family

Proteaceae

Where found

Heath or **mallee-heath**, usually on exposed sites, sometimes in swampy areas or along creeks. Blue Mountains.

Notes

Shrub or tree to 2 m high. Leaves sharp pointed. Young growth sparsely hairy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, crowded, 1–5 cm long, 1–1.8 mm in diameter, cylindrical, sometimes lower surface grooved, surfaces sparsely **appressed**-hairy, quickly becoming hairless; **mucro** about 0.5–1.5 mm long. Flowers yellow to cream, with 4 '**petals**' 1.5–2 mm long, free from each other when the flowers are fully open, more or less hairless. **Gynoeceum** 3.5–4.5 mm long. Unit clusters of 1–7 flowers, often several clusters close together. Flowers spring. 'Nuts' round to oval, 29–35 mm long, 23–26 mm wide, coarsely warty; **beak** short and broad, smooth to sparsely warty, continuing down both sides of the 'nuts'; horns obscure or absent. Seeds with one **wing**. Seeds with one wing.

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

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