

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem with male flowers. Photographer Don Wood, Munga State Forest



Stem with spent female flowers. Photographer Jackie Miles



Fruiting stems. Photographer Don Wood, Mumbulla State Forest north of Bega



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Barrington Tops State Forest

Common name

Native mulberry

Family

Monimiaceae

Where found

Wet **forest** and moist gullies. Widespread.

Notes

Tree or **shrub** to 20 m high. Fruit fleshy. Bark smooth to finely fissured. Plant hairless except for young shoots and flowers. Leaves opposite each other, 4–16 cm long, 15–60 mm wide, margins toothed to almost **entire**, tips gradually tapering to a point; **midrib** prominent on both surfaces, flattened to slightly sunken on the upper surface, raised on the lower surface. Male and female flowers on different plants. Flowers with white to greenish '**petals**', 6–7 mm in diameter, male flowers with 8 '**petals**', female flowers with about 12 '**petals**'. Male flowers in clusters of 5–16 flowers, female flowers in clusters of 1–4 flowers. The whole fruit more or less round, 6–10 mm in diameter, yellow, composed of 10–30 small fruit packed together on the base. Flowers spring to summer.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Hedycarya~angustifolia> (accessed 19 January, 2021)

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