

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra



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Flowering branches. Photographer Ken Thomas, Namadji National Park, ACT

Common name

Mountain Hovea

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Forest, often on rocky sites. Kosciuszko National Park. ACT.

Notes

Shrub to 3 m tall. Stems with brown and partly white, grey, or black, hairs. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 1-10 cm long, 1.5-9 mm wide, flat to strongly arched on each side of a shallowly to deeply recessed **midrib**, margins curved down to strongly rolled down, tips squared off to somewhat pointed, **mucro** short, upper surface green, dull to somewhat glossy, mostly hairless; sometimes rough, lower surface almost hairless or slightly to moderately obscured by white, cream or golden coiled hairs. Standard petal 7-10 mm long, 7-12 mm wide. Flowers pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, mauve, the **standard** with a yellow to pale spot. Flowers in 2-3 flowered clusters at the base of the upper leaves. Flowers Winter to Spring.

Regarded as indigenous/aturalised in the ACT. 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=Hovea-asperifolia> (accessed 19 January, 2021)

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