

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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



Young seed cases and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Woko National Park NW of Gloucester



Seeds in open seed case. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT.



Flowering tree. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Cranbourne Botanic Gardens, Melbourne, Vic

Common name

Native frangipani

Family

Pittosporaceae

Where found

Forest, regrowth, and near streams. Natural occurrences north from the Blue Mountains. Frequently planted and **naturalised** outside its natural range.

Notes

Shrub or small tree to 22 m high. Occasionally partly **deciduous**. Bark greyish, smooth, with short horizontal lines of **lenticels**. Young stems hairy with **simple** and **glandular** hairs, becoming hairless, marked by lenticels and scars. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, sometimes clustered and more or less **whorled**, 7–16 cm long, 30–45 mm wide, soft, hairless, sometimes hairy on lower surface, especially along the **midrib**, margins **entire**, rarely toothed or lobed in **juvenile** plants, tips gradually tapering to a point and often with a small abrupt point. Flowers fragrant, at first creamy white, turning yellow with a deep pink or reddish throat with age, tubular, the tube 20–30 mm long, with 5 **petals** each 20–40 mm long. Flowers in loosely branched clusters 15–20 cm diameter. Flowering: spring. Seeds reddish brown, with a single **wing** all round.

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

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