

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



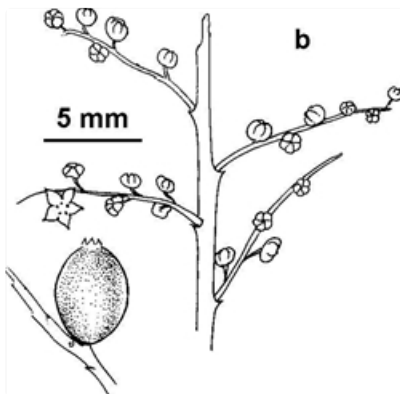
Flowering branches. Photographer Don Wood, Booderee National Park, Jervis Bay



Fruiting branches. Photographer Don Wood, Monga State Forest east of Braidwood



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## Common name

Native Currant, Sour Currant Bush

## Family

Santalaceae

## Where found

**Forest, heath**, and occasionally on rocky sites. Coast, ranges, and tablelands.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 3 m high. Fruit fleshy. Branches almost cylindrical to angular, longitudinally ridged, covered with minute warts. Leaves narrow to triangular, 0.1–0.2 cm long, lost early. Flowers red to brown, yellowish brown, or greenish, with 4–5 hooded '**petals**', each 0.6–0.7 mm long. Flowers in elongated clusters of 12–30 flowers. Flowers Summer–Autumn. Fruit greenish, yellowish-green, or greenish-brown, to purple, 6–8 mm long, oval to round, acidic, edible.

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PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Leptomeria-acida> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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