

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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



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

Common name

A tea-tree

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **heath**, usually on rocky sites. Ranges between Morton National Park inland from Conjola and Deua National Park inland from Moruya.

Notes

Shrub to more than 2 m tall. Bark rough, flaking in thin layers. Stems sparsely hairy to hairless. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, **alternating** up the stems, usually 1.5-3.5 cm long, 3-7 mm wide, margins flat or slightly curved upwards, surfaces **silky** to almost hairless at maturity: tips blunt to pointed, the short point usually blunt; bases tapering to a short narrow rather flattened stalk. Flowers 10-15 mm in diameter, with 5 white **petals**, single or in pairs. Flowers Summer. Nuts shed early, 4-7 mm in diameter, stalk silky.

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

Additional information in: Thompson, J. (8 December 1989), A revision of the genus *Leptospermum* (Myrtaceae). *Telopea* 3(3): 368, map 4-20

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