

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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



Flowering branches. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Thirloene, west of Arridale.



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer M Parkes, unknown place

Common name

Blunt beard-heath

Family

Ericaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **heath**, and exposed situations. Tablelands and ranges mainly north from west of Nowra. Coastal mainly in the Sydney region and north.

Notes

Shrub to about 1.5 m high. Fruit fleshy. Branchlets hairy with minute hairs. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 0.96–2.3 cm long, 2–5.8 mm wide; thin, more or less flat, with 3–5 parallel **veins**, margins often slightly curved down, **entire**. Flowers scented, white, tubular, the tube 2.0–2.45 mm long, with 5 hairy lobes each 1.4–2.0 mm long. Flowers **erect**, 4–10 together in **spikes** to 9 mm long. Flowering: September–October. Fruit black, oval, 3.2–4.5 mm long, 3–5-ridged and scarcely bristly.

Family was Epacridaceae.

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

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