

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering branch. Photographer Jackie Mles



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Warden Head, Uladulla



Fruit and leaves. Photographer Jackie Mles



Shrub. Photographer Jackie Mles

Common name

Coastal Beard-heath, Native Currant

Family

Ericaceae

Where found

Shrubland, **heath**, dunes, and rocky slopes. Coastal. Occasionally in the ranges.

Notes

Shrub or tree to about 5 m high. Fruit fleshy. Branchlets hairy with fine hairs to sparsely hairy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 1.1–3.5 cm long, 2.4–7.5 mm wide, upper surface usually slightly convex or flat, lower surface **striate** veined, margins more or less curved down, tips broadly pointed, thickened and channelled, sometimes curved down. Flowers white, 3.5–5 mm long, tubular, hairy with fine hairs inside near the throat, with 5 lobes each 2–6 mm long. Flowers **erect**, 6–13 together in densely clustered **spikes** 10–32 mm long. Flowering: throughout the year. Fruit white, 4.3–5 mm long, more or less round.

Family was Epacridaceae.

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

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