

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers. Photographer Bart Wursten, Zimbabwe



Flowering stem. Photographer Jackie Miles



Fruiting branches. Photographer Jackie Miles



Trunk. Photographer Jackie Miles



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer ROH Shepherd, Hume Highway near Gundagai

Common name

Broad-leaf privet, Large-leaved privet

Family

Oleaceae

Where found

Rainforest, especially in regrowth, **woodland**, **grassland**, pastures, disturbed sites, roadsides, gullies, and stream banks. Sydney area west to the Blue Mountains and south to Nowra and Goulburn. Canberra. Elsewhere mainly in towns and along roads.

Notes

Introduced tree or **shrub** to 25 m high. Fruit fleshy. Bark with **lenticels** and blisters, sometimes slightly fissured. Branchlets cylindrical, with conspicuous lenticels. Leaves opposite each other, 4–24 cm long, 25–80 mm wide, leathery, hairless, upper surface dark green, glossy or shiny, lower surface paler with distinct **veins**, tips pointed. Flowers fragrant, sickly sweet, white to cream, tubular, the tube 3–4 mm long, with 4 lobes 2–6 mm long. Flowers in dense branched clusters 8–25 cm long. Flowering: spring–summer. Fruit green turning red, then blue to glossy or purplish black as they ripen, round, 5–10 mm long.

General Biosecurity Duty all NSW. General Biosecurity Duty with additional restrictions in the Central Tablelands, NSW. Pest plant

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

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