Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Young male cones. Australian Rant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Leaves and young female cone. Photographer Jackie Mles



Almost ripe cone about to open. Photographer Jackie Mles



Mature cone showing seeds. Photographer Jackie Mles



Seeds and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, Buckenbowra State Forest west of Batemans Bay



Plant. Photographer Jackie Mles

Common name

Burrawang

Family

Zamiaceae

Where found

Forest. Coast and ranges, north from Tathra.

Notes

Palm like plant. Seeds with a fleshy outer layer. Trunk mostly subterranean but in shallow soils forming a trunk to 2 m high. Leaves

appearing basal or clustered at the top of the trunk, 50–100 in the **crown**, 70–250 cm long. **Rachis** not twisted; leaflets 70–130, the longest 16–35 cm long, 4–12 mm wide, thick and rigid, rather dull, the lowest leaflets reduced to spines. Male and female **cones** on different plants. Cones 200–450 mm long, the longest spines on male cones 2–5 cm long, the longest spines on female cones 4–10 cm long. Seeds scarlet when ripe.

Protected NSW.

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl? page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Macrozamia~communis (accessed 25 January, 2021)

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