

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Common name

None

Family

Zamiaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**. Coast and ranges north of Wollongong.

Notes

Palm like plant. Seeds with a fleshy outer layer. Stem subterranean. Leaves basal, 2–12 in the **crown**, 60–100 cm long. **Rachis** twisted up to 180 degrees, rarely up to 360 degrees, leaflets 45–120, **spreading**, longest 12–20 cm long, 5–10 mm wide, dull, rarely **glaucous**, pinkish to red or orange at the base, basal leaflets not reduced to spines. Male and female **cones** on different plants. Cones 120–200 mm long, spines on male cones to 1.5 cm long, spines on female cones to 3 cm long. Seeds orange to red when ripe.

Protected NSW.

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

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