

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Common name

A paperbark

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Wet **heath**. Sydney area.

Notes

Shrub or small tree to 5 m high. Bark papery. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, **alternating** up the stems, 0.4–1.5 cm long, 1–4 mm wide, tips pointed, surfaces hairless. Flowers in few- to many-flowered **spikes** 10–40 mm long. Individual flowers with 5 white **petals**, or petals sometimes tinged with pink, each 2–3 mm long. **Stamens** much longer than the petals. Flowers summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lv=sp&name=Melaleuca-sieberi> (accessed 24 January, 2021)

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