

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Shrubs. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Peter Ormay, Aranda, Canberra, ACT

Common name

Mountain mirbelia

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, and roadsides. Kosciuszko National Park, the mountains to the north, ACT, tablelands, and the western edge of the ranges. Rare elsewhere.

Notes

Shrub, sprawling or to 1.5 m tall. Stems cylindrical, hairy. Leaves irregularly opposite each other, **whorled**, or scattered, 0.2-1 cm long, 1-4 mm wide, tips with a minute curved down point, margins curved down, upper surface becoming hairless, warty, lower surface **appressed**-hairy. Flowers 8-12 mm long, pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, orange-yellow with red to purple markings, the keel brownish, or purplish red. Flowers in few-flowered clusters. Flowers Spring to Summer.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

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

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