

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Plant. Photographer Don Wood, Bomaderry Creek Regional Park near Nowra



Flowers and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Marulan-Bundanoon Road



Plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Peter Olerenshaw, Mt Wilson

Common name

Heathland mirbelia, Heathy mirbelia

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **heath**. Coast and ranges north of west of Tuross **Head**. Occasional elsewhere.

Notes

Shrub to 0.5 m tall. Leaves with sharp points. Stems angular, hairless or with minute **appressed** hairs. Leaves in **whorls** of 3, mostly 1-2.5 cm long, 2-4 mm wide, upper surface conspicuously **reticulate**, lower surface hairless or with scattered hairs, margins curved down. Flowers 8-9 mm long, pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, pink to purple, with darker markings, rarely white. Flowers in clusters. Flowers Spring to Summer.

Vulnerable Vic.

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

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