

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Bungonia State Conservation Area east of Goulburn



Fruiting stems. Photographer Don Wood, Bungonia State Conservation Area east of Goulburn



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Line drawing. h. Flowering branch. M.Mbir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Western boobialla, Water bush

Family

Scrophulariaceae

Where found

Forest, mallee, woodland, rocky gorges, and near streams. Coast. Ranges and tablelands north from Bungonia. Western Slopes.

Notes

Shrub or tree to 8m tall. Fruit fleshy. Bark finely fissured. Stems hairless, smooth, rarely warty, at first resinous. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 3-14 cm long, 2-40 mm wide, hairless, upper and lower surface different colours, margins **entire** or obscurely toothed, tips pointed. Flowers 6-8 mm in diameter, white, with hairs in the throat, usually with purple spots inside, with a bell-shaped tube and 5 lobes, hairy on the front. **Sepals** lacking obvious translucent membranous margins. Flowers in clusters of 1-7 flowers. Flowers Winter to Summer. Fruit light purple to reddish purple, smooth.

Family was Myoporaceae.

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

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