Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Flow ering stems. Photographer Don Wood, north of Eden



Flow ering stems. Photographer Don Wood, near Bermagui



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Common name

Velvet mint-bush

Family

Lamiaceae

Where found

Forest and woodland. Coast and ranges.

Notes

Shrub to 2.5 m high. Branches densely covered with long spreading hairs. The whole plant slightly aromatic. Leaves opposite each other, 0.9–1.8 cm long, 6–13 mm wide, surfaces dull 'dusty' green, paler below, margins scalloped and slightly curved down, tips blunt. Flowers mauve, 8–10 mm long, with a bell-shaped tube, 2-lipped, the upper lip notched to 2-lobed, the lower lip 3-lobed. Calyx 2-lobed. Flowers in leafless to leafy clusters, sometimes branched. Flowering: August–December.

Vulnerable Vic.

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