

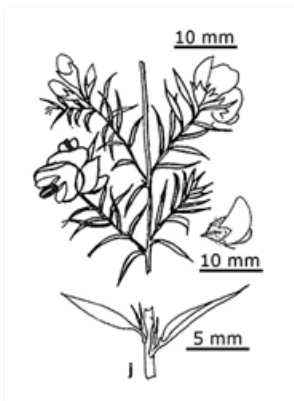
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Photographer Russell Best, Macedon Ranges, Vic



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



Line drawings. j. flowering stem, leaves and stipules; flower. J Armstrong, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Prickly bush-pea, Pungent bush-pea

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Wet to dry **forest**, **woodland**, and **heath**, often in damp sites. Kosciuszko National Park, the mountains to the north, and ACT. Western Slopes and tablelands south of the Hume Highway and north and west of the ACT. Uncommon elsewhere.

Notes

Shrub to 3 m tall, rarely **prostrate**. Stems sparsely to moderately hairy, the hairs sometimes rusty. Leaves with sharp tips, **alternating** up the stems, 0.4-3 cm long, 0.5-3.5 mm wide, often concave in cross section, bases often **cordate**, tips with a stiff bristle or tapered to a slender, sharp point, margins curved upwards to flat or curved down, lower surface darker than upper surface. Flowers 7-13 mm long, pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, **standard** petal yellow to orange with red **striations**, **wings** yellow to orange, keel yellow with a red tips to completely red. **Bracteoles linear**, inserted at the base of the **calyx** tube. Flowers in 1- to few-flowered leafy clusters. Flowers Spring to Summer. Pods sparsely hairy, smooth.

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

Rare Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Pultenaea-juniperina> (accessed 2 February, 2021)

Description partly taken from: Kok, R.P.J. de & West, J.G., (2003) A revision of the genus *Pultenaea* (Fabaceae) 2. Eastern Australian species with velutinous **ovaries** and curved upwards leaves. *Australian Systematic Botany* 16(2): 244-247, Fig. 4

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