Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers. Photographer Kevin Thiele, WA



Ripe fruit and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, Scotia Sanctuary, western NSW



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Common name

Sweet Quandong; Native Peach; Desert Quandong; Quandong

Family

Santalaceae

Where found

Woodland, rocky areas, and stream banks. Western Slopes.

Notes

Shrub or tree to 6 m tall, often suckering from the roots. Fruit fleshy. Bark rough, slightly furrowed. Stems angular, striate, hairless. Leaves opposite each other, 3-9 cm long, 3-15 mm wide, hairless, both surfaces about the same colour, margins flat, tips pointed, often with a curved point when young. Flowers white to pale yellow or green with red to orange centres, with 4 'petals', each 1–2 mm long, in many-flowered branched clusters. Fruit red, rarely yellow, 15–25 mm long, edible.

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl? page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Santalum~acuminatum (accessed 6 February, 2021)

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