

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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## Common name

A spyridium

## Family

Rhamnaceae

## Where found

Open **forest**. Blue Mountains and south to Nattai National Park south of Lake Burrangor.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 1.2 m high, sometimes with numerous stems from a woody rootstock. Young stems hairy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 0.8–3 cm long, 2–6 mm wide, margins curved down, upper surface dark green and hairless, lower surface mostly densely hairy and greyish, rarely becoming hairless and green, tips blunt to pointed, **stipules** papery, brown. Flowers whitish, 4–5 mm long, tubular, with 5 hooded **petals**. Flowers in **heads** at the ends of the stems, each **subtended** by 2–4 whitish hairy '**petals**' (actually leaves), and surrounded by small persistent brown **bracts**. Flower heads clustered.

Endangered population in the Cessnock local government area, north of the area covered by this key.

<http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedSpeciesApp/profile.aspx?id=20328> (accessed 8 January 2021)

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Spyridium~burrangor> (accessed 8 January 2021)

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