

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Flowers and leaf. Photographer Don Wood, Bangalee Reserve, Nowra



Fruit and leaf. Photographer Don Wood, Murrumbidgee National Park north of Nowra

## Common name

Scentless rosewood

## Family

Meliaceae

## Where found

**Forest**, stabilised sand dunes, and gullies. Coast, ranges, and the eastern edge of the tablelands.

## Notes

Tree to 18 m tall. Fruit with a fleshy **aril**. Bark scaly, dark brown with whitish and greyish patches. Young stems hairy, becoming hairless. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 10-30 cm long, **compound**, with 3-11 leaflets, each 2-12 cm long, 15-40 mm wide, tips usually blunt, margins **entire**, surfaces hairless except for more or less prominent hairy **domatia** (handlens/macro app on your mobile phone may be needed). Flowers sweetly scented, apparently bisexual but functionally unisexual with male and female flowers on different plants. Flowers white to pink, with 4 **petals** each 4-6 mm long. Flowers in branched clusters 2-5 cm long. Flowers Jan.–July. Fruit pinkish fawn to red. Aril fleshy, red, completely covering the seed.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Synoum~glandulosum> (accessed 9 February, 2021)

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