Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers, fruits, and leaves. Photographer Mchael Charters calflora.net California, USA



Flow ering and fruiting branches. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer J Briggs, Kurnell, Sydney



Tree. Photographer Peter Woodard, Illawarra

Common name

Magenta lilly pilly, Magenta cherry

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Rainforest and along streams. Coast and ranges north of Milton. One record from west of Merimbula.

Notes

Shrub or tree to 15 m tall. Bark flaky, brown. Branchlets round to 4-angled, with no pockets or lumps at the **nodes**. Hairless. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite each other, 4.5-10 cm long, 15-30 mm wide, tips pointed, surfaces hairless, shiny, dark-green above and paler beneath, oil **glands** small and scattered or obscure, not readily visible with the naked eye. Flowers white, with 4-5 **petals** each 4-5 mm long. Stamens 6-15 mm long. Flowers in clusters, sometimes in branched clusters. Flowers Spring to Autumn. Fruit fleshy, pink to magenta or reddish purple, round or oval to oval, 15-25 mm long.

Vulnerable Australia. Endangered NSW. Provisions of the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 No 63 relating to the protection of protected plants generally also apply to plants that are a threatened species.

NSW Department of Environment & Heritage Threatened Species profile: http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedSpeciesApp/profile.aspx?id=10794 (accessed 9 February, 2021)

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

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