

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer S Douglas, Maroota South, NSW.

Common name

A pink bells

Family

Elaeocarpaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, **heath**, and **shrubland**. North from the Blue Mountains and the Sydney area..

Notes

Shrub to 0.5 m high. Stems cylindrical, ridged, with mostly curved hairs and with small warts, and some stout hairs. Stems often become entwined among other small **shrubs**, sedges and grasses. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, opposite each other, or rarely in **whorls** of 3 or 4, 0.3–2 cm long, 1–2 mm wide, hairless or **glandular** hairy, margins rolled down and with stiff, occasionally glandular, hairs giving a toothed appearance, **midrib** on the lower surface often with glandular hairs. Flowers deep lilac-pink, occasionally pale pink, with 4 **petals** each 4.5–11 mm long. Flower stalks and **sepals** covered with dark-red glandular hairs. Petals and sepals persistent at the seeding stage. Flowers single, rarely paired, on stalks 3–10 mm long. Flowering: mostly July–November.

Family was Tremandraceae.

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

NSW Threatened Species profile: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedSpeciesApp/profile.aspx?id=10798> (accessed 8 January 2021)

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

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