

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



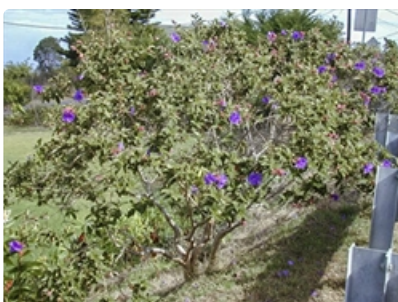
Flowering branches. Photographers Forest & Kim Starr, Hawaii



Flower buds with pink bracts. Photographers & Forest & Kim Starr, Hawaii



Seed cases and leaves. Photographers & Forest & Kim Starr, Hawaii



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Common name

Lasiandra, Purple Glory Bush

Family

Melastomataceae

Where found

Garden **escape**. Sydney area and north from there.

Notes

Introduced shrub or tree to 4 m high, sprawling. Bark light gray to pale brown, smoothish, thin. Young stems four-angled and slightly **winged**, stout, with **spreading** hairs, ringed at the **nodes**. Older stems shedding hairy bark and becoming cylindrical. Leaves opposite each other, 4–12 cm long, 20–50 mm wide, surfaces different colours, hairy with soft hairs that are longer on the lower surface; tips pointed. Flowers deep blue-purple, with 5 **petals** each about 40 mm long. Flowers in branched clusters to 15 cm long, not opening together. Flowers mainly Summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Tibouchina~urvilleana> (accessed 24 April 2021)

CABI datasheet: <http://www.cabi.org/isc/datasheet/53848> (accessed 24 April 2021)

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