

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT

Common name

Long-leaved westringia

Family

Lamiaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **shrubland**, rocky areas, and near streams. Coast and ranges north of Kiama. Occasionally elsewhere.

Notes

Shrub to 3 m high. Stems hairy with **appressed** hairs. Leaves slightly aromatic when rubbed, in **whorls** of 3, 1.2–3.5 cm long, 1–2 mm wide, surfaces very sparsely hairy or hairless, rarely the lower surface moderately hairy, margins **entire**, and flat to slightly curved down. Flowers about 8–10 mm long, white to pale mauve with purple to light brown dots, tubular, 2-lipped, with 5 lobes. **Calyx** tubular, with 5 lobes. Flowers single at the bases of the leaves, in elongated leafy clusters. Flowers throughout the year.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Westringia~longifolia> (accessed 12 February, 2021)

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