

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Photographer Don Wood, Oatlen Road east of Tarago



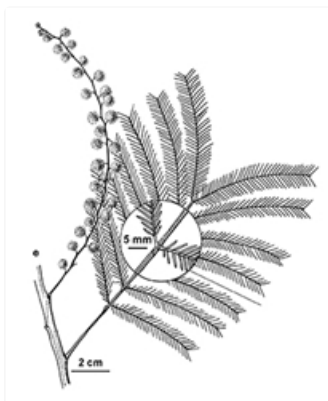
Pods and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Arthur Chapman, east of Ballan, Vic



Leaf detail. Australian Plant Image Index, photographers RG & FJ Richardson, Point Arboretum, Coleraine, Vic



Shrub. Photographer Donald Hobern, Canberra, ACT



Line drawings. e. inflorescence and leaf; MMoir, National Herbarium of Victoria, ©2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Early black wattle, Black wattle, Green wattle, Sydney green wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, **heath**, roadsides and disturbed sites, and stream banks. Coast, ranges, and ACT. Tablelands and the Western Slopes, north and west of Braidwood.

Treated as **naturalised** in the ACT.

Notes

Tree or **shrub** to 15 m tall. Fleshy seed stalks/**arils**. Bark smooth to fissured. Branchlets angled, with **winged** ridges, sparsely hairy to hairless. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, **compound**, 5-15 cm long. **Rachis** 2–12 cm long, hairless or sparsely **appressed**-hairy, 1 **gland** on the leaf stalk at the base of, or to about 7 mm below, the lowest pair of **pinnae**; **jugary glands** present, **interjugary** glands absent. 6-30 pinnae, each 2.5-9 cm long, each with 30-90 leaflets each mostly 0.5-1.5 cm long, 0.3-1 mm wide, hairless or rarely hairy with appressed hairs on the margins of the leaflets. Leaf stalks continue down the stems. Flower **heads** yellow, globular, 20-32 flowered (easiest seen in late buds), 4-7 mm in diameter, in branched and/or elongated clusters. Flowers Winter to Spring.

Hybridises with **Acacia dealbata** (both subspecies), and **Acacia baileyana**.

Family was Mimosaceae.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Acacia-decurrens> (accessed 29 April 2021)

World Wide Wattle line drawings, photos, and description: <http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?p=0&l=d&id=16975&o=1>

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