

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Photographer Don Wood, South Nowra



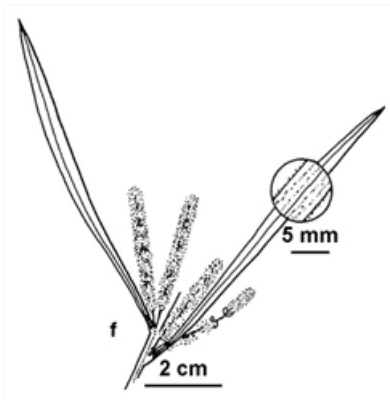
Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra



Pods and leafy stems. Photographer Jackie Miles



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



Line drawing. f. flowering branch. Inset: detail of veins in 'leaf'. MMBir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

White sally, Gossamer wattle, White sally wattle, White sallow-wattle, Sally wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **woodland**, often along streams. Coast, ranges, and the eastern edge of the tablelands. Doubtfully **naturalised** in the ACT.

Notes

Shrub or tree to 8 m tall. Fleshy seed stalks/**arils**. Bark smooth, sometimes becoming rough. Branchlets angled towards the tips, hairy to hairless, with **lenticels**. 'Leaves' **alternating** up the stems, 5-19 cm long, 1.5-12 mm wide, straight or slightly curved, hairless or hairy with **appressed** hairs (the hairs often remaining concentrated near the 'leaf' base), 1-4 longitudinal **veins** more prominent, tips

pointed. Flower **heads** yellow to almost white, cylindrical, 20-80 mm long, single or in pairs. Flower stalks hairy to hairless, the hairs not golden. Flowers Winter to Spring. Pods raised over and constricted between the seeds, longitudinally ridged, appressed-hairy to hairless.

Hybridises with *Acacia oxycedrus*.

Family was Mimosaceae.

Narrow 'leaved' forms are similar to *Acacia longissima*. Differs from that species in that it has thicker 'leaves' and flower stalks that are often hairy.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Acacia-floribunda> (accessed 27 April 2021)

World Wide Wattle line drawings, photos, and description: <http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?p=0&l=f&id=18286&o=1>

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