

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Mt Cassell Nursery, Vic



and leaves. Photographer Jackie Miles, Munghorn Gap near Mudgee

Common name

Sword wattle, Sword-leaf wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **woodland**, often on rocky sites. Tablelands near the Great Western Highway. Western Slopes mainly north and west of Boorowa.

Notes

Shrub to 4 m tall. Fleshy seed stalks/**arils**. Branchlets angled or flattened, red brown, hairless. 'Leaves' **alternating** up the stems, 7-15 cm long, 3-12 mm wide, more or less strongly curved, surfaces hairless, **midvein** and margins prominent, tips somewhat pointed or blunt with a **mucro**. 2-4 **marginal glands**. Flower **heads** yellow, globular, 7-10 mm in diameter, 30-50 flowered (easiest seen in late buds), in elongated clusters of 3-12 flower heads, sometimes single. Flowers usually June-October.

Family was Mimosaceae.

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

World Wide Wattle line drawings, photos, and description: <http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?p=0&l=g&id=20575&o=1>

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