

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem (var. *gracilipes*). Photographer Don Wood, Timbillica State Forest, south of Eden.



Pods and 'leaves' (var. *lanigera*). Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, unknown site



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer C MacDonald, Black Mountain, Canberra, ACT

Common name

Hairy wattle, Woolly wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **woodland**, often on stony slopes. Mainly tablelands, Western Slopes, and Kosciuszko National Park. Ranges south and west of Eden. Occasionally coastal.

var. *gracilipes*: Ranges south and west of Eden

var. *lanigera*: Mainly tablelands, Western Slopes, and Kosciuszko National Park. ACT. Ranges south and west of Eden. Occasionally coastal.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m tall. Fleshy seed stalks/**arils**. Bark smooth. Branchlets angled or ridged towards the tips, hairy, often ridged. 'Leaves' **alternating** up the stems, 2-7 cm long, 2-8 mm wide, more or less rigid, straight to slightly curved, surfaces hairy or hairless, with 2-4 main (and sometimes other less prominent) longitudinal **veins**, tips pointed or sometimes blunt with a **mucro**. Flower **heads** yellow, globular to oval, 15-30 flowered (best seen in late buds), 5-9 mm in diameter, in groups of 1-4. Pods hairy. Flowers Autumn to Spring. Pods curved to openly once-coiled, whitish-**woolly** to hairy

Family was Mimosaceae.

Rare Victoria (both subspecies).

Var. lanigera: Hairy to hairless flower stalks 5-10 mm long, and the **gland** mostly 3.5-13 mm above the base of the 'leaf'.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

Var. gracilipes: More or less hairless flower stalks 1-5 mm long, and the gland at or near the base of the 'leaf'.

PlantNET description of species and key to subspecies: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nsfwfl&lvi=sp&name=Acacia-ianigera> (accessed 27 April 2021)

World Wide Wattle line drawings and description (var. *gracilipes*): <http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?p=0&l=l&id=23701&o=1>

World Wide Wattle photos, line drawings and description (var. *lanigera*):
<http://www.worldwidewattle.com/imagegallery/image.php?p=0&l=l&id=23702&o=1>

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