Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Common name

Phantom wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Shrubby woodland in rocky crevices and near streams. Western Slopes in Woomagarma National Park south from the Holbrook district.

Notes

Shrub or tree to 4 m high. 'Leaf' tips sometimes sharp. Fleshy seed stalks/arils. Bark smooth, silvery grey or brown. Branchlets angled or cylindrical, sparsely appressed-hairy to hairless. 'Leaves' alternating up the stems, 5–12.5 cm long, 1–2 mm wide, more or less curved (often variably curved with some 'leaves' markedly so), flat to 4-angled in cross section, surfaces hairless or hairy (especially along the margins), covered with minute warts, with about 4 longitudinal veins, tips pointed and sometimes with a mucro. Flower heads bright yellow, 5–8 mm long, 8–12-flowered, more or less oval, sometimes appearing globular, 8-12 flowered (easiest seen in late buds), single or paired at the bases of the 'leaves'. Flowers spring. Pods slender, more or less curved, firmly papery, longitudinally wrinkled, appressed-hairy, becoming hairless.

Family was Mimosaceae.

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Vulnerable Vic. Listed in the Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act, Vic.

NSW Threatened Species profile: http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedSpeciesApp/profile.aspx?id=10021 (accessed 3 January 2021)

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl? page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Acacia~phasmoides (accessed 3 January 2021) Author: Betty Wood.

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