

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT

Common name

Lemon Starbush

Family

Rutaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, shrubland, heath, and rocky areas. Kosciuszko National Park and the tablelands east of Kosciuszko National Park. Ranges along the Victorian border. Recent records between Gundaroo and Gunning.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m high. Young branches grey to brown **stellate**-hairy (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see). Leaves aromatic when rubbed, **alternating** up the stems, 0.3–3.5 cm long, 2–15 mm wide, tips blunt to notched, upper surface hairless and shining, or rough with scattered stellate hairs, lower surface brownish or whitish hairy. Flowers yellow, brown stellate-hairy outside, with 5 **petals** each 4–9 mm long. Flowers in 1–8 flowered clusters. Flowering: spring.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Asterolasia-asteriscophora> (accessed 4 January, 2021)

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