Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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



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Common name

None

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Wet forest, often beside streams or in damp places. Sydney area and the ranges to the west.

Notes

Bushy **shrub** to 2 m high. Bark finely flaky. Young shoots densely hairy, becoming hairless with age. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite each other, 1.5–4 cm long, 1–3 mm wide, lower surface densely hairy, becoming hairless with age, margins curved down, tips gradually tapering to a point. Flowers usually with 5 **petals** 2–4 mm long, white, single. Fruit purplish when immature, white with dark spots when ripe. Flowers summer.

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

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