

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Bomaderry Creek Regional Reserve

Common name

Fringed baeckea, Diosma heath-myrtle

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Moist areas in **heath**. Coast, ranges, and the eastern tablelands, north from Budawang National Park and Milton.

Notes

Shrub to 1 m tall. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite each other, 0.2-0.6 cm long, 1-2 mm wide, almost stalkless, margins often finely toothed, tips often curved down. Flowers 3.5-5.5 mm in diameter, with 5 white **petals**. Flowers single. Flowers Spring to Summer.

Intergrades between *Baeckea diosmifolia* and *Baeckea imbricata* occur. They may be recognized by the somewhat broader leaves than in *Baeckea diosmifolia*.

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

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