

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers. Photographer Peter Woodard, garden, Dee Why



Flowering branches. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Denise Grieg, unknown place

Common name

Soft boronia

Family

Rutaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** in gullies. Sydney area and north.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m high. Branchlets densely **stellate** hairy (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see). Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite each other, **compound**, with 3–9 leaflets, the **terminal** leaflet longer and slightly narrower than the **lateral** leaflets. **Rachis** 0.5–3.7 cm long, **winged**; leaflets 1.5–4 cm long, 5–12 mm wide, upper surface hairless to sparsely stellate-hairy, lower surface paler and stellate-hairy but the underlying surface visible beneath the hairs, margins **entire** and curved down, tips blunt to rounded. Flowers pale to bright pink, with 4 **petals** each 7–10 mm long. the margins touching each other in bud, persistent at the seeding stage. 8 **stamens**. Flowers in 2–6-flowered clusters. Flowering: June–November.

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PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Boronia~mollis> (accessed 5 January, 2020)

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