

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Trunks. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Minnamurra Reserve west of Kiama



Tree. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Dorrigo National Park

## Common name

Coachwood

## Family

Cunoniaceae

## Where found

**Rainforest** and gullies. Coast and ranges north from Batemans Bay, rarely farther south.

## Notes

Tree to 25 m high. Bark smooth, whitish, blotched with grey and white lichens and with distinctive horizontal lines encircling the trunk, becoming dark, rough, and scaly. Stems hairless. Leaves **simple**, rarely 3-lobed, opposite each other, 6–17 cm long, 20–50 mm wide, leathery, green, hairless, lower surface paler, margins finely toothed, tips pointed. Flowers with 0 **petals** and 4-5 white petal-like **sepals** each about 3 mm long, enlarging to 8-9 mm long and pink to reddish at the seeding stage. Flowers in clusters to 12 cm long, 5-8 cm diameter. Flowering: spring to summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Ceratopetalum~apetalum> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

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