

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



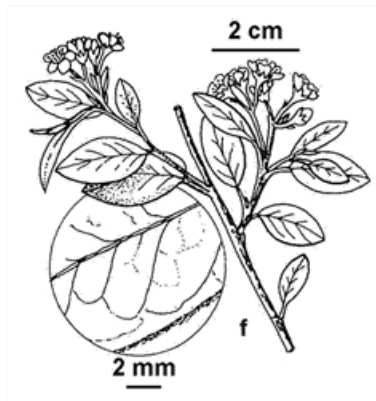
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## Common name

Silverleaf Cotoneaster, Cotoneaster, Silver Cotoneaster, Silver-leaved Cotoneaster, Velvet Cotoneaster

## Family

Rosaceae

## Where found

Urban bushland, **woodland**, roadsides, disturbed sites, and along streams. Mainly Sydney area south to Kiama and west to the Blue Mountains, ACT, and along the Hume Highway.

## Notes

**Introduced semideciduous shrub** to 5 m high. Fruit fleshy. Young stems white hairy, becoming hairless. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 1–4 cm long, 8–16 mm wide, upper surface dull, hairless or slightly hairy, lower surface silvery- or white-hairy, tips pointed and **mucronate**. Flowers white, 7–10 mm in diameter, with 5 **petals**, in 6–20-flowered clusters. Flowers spring–summer. Fruit bright to dark red, 5–8 mm in diameter, with 2 'seeds'.

Family was Malaceae.

Pest plant ACT.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Cotoneaster-pannosus> (accessed 2 April 2021)

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