

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Common name

A cryptandra

Family

Rhamnaceae

Where found

Open **forest** and cleared areas, often on rocky sites. Sydney area and the Blue Mountains. Eastern part of the tablelands as far south as Bungonia State Conservation Area.

Notes

Shrub to 1 m high. Smaller **lateral** branches short and sharp-tipped. Leaves clustered and **alternating** up the stems, 0.2–0.8 cm long, 1–2 mm wide, more or less hairless. Flowers white, tubular, the tube 3–4 mm long, with 5 lobes, in **spike**-like clusters. Flowers winter to early spring.

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

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