

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

## Common name

Coast canthium, Brush canthium

## Family

Rubiaceae

## Where found

**Rainforest** and near streams. Coastal north of Ulladulla. Blue Mountains.

## Notes

Tree or **shrub** to 25 m high. Fruit fleshy. Bark finely fissured or cracked, greyish to brown, **lenticels** prominent. Stems hairless. Leaves opposite each other, 2–10 cm long, 10–60 mm wide, thin and leathery, upper surface deep green and dull, lower surface paler, **domatia** sometimes present (handlens/macro app on your mobile phone needed), tips blunt to drawn out into a fine point. Flowers fragrant, white to orange or creamy golden brown, tubular, the tube 5–12 mm long, conspicuously hairy at the top of the tube, with 5 lobes each 3–5 mm long, fringed on the margins. Flowers in 1–6 flowered clusters. Flowering: summer–autumn. Fruit orange to red, compressed oval, 10–12 mm long.

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

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