

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, Aranda Bushland, ACT



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer MD Crisp, between Kelso and Sofala

Common name

Small-leaved parrot-pea, Parrot-pea

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, and grassy areas. Widespread.

Notes

Prostrate or sprawling to **erect shrub** to 1.5 m tall. Stems with stiff **spreading** hairs. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, usually 0.3-0.8 cm long, 0.5-1 mm wide, spirally twisted, tips pointed, often curved, surfaces smooth to warty, usually covered with stiff hairs, or having at least a few stiff hairs near the leaf tips. The outside of the **calyx** hairless or with a sparse to moderate cover of stiff hairs. **Standard** petal 5-12 mm long. Flowers pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, yellow with red to purple markings (sometimes faint), in 1-8 flowered clusters. Flowers most of the year.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lv=sp&name=Dillwynia-phylicoides> (accessed 9 January, 2021)

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