

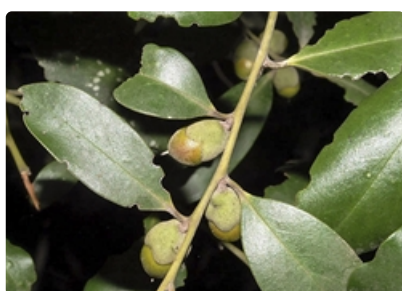
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Common name

Myrtle Ebony, Grey Persimmon, Black Myrtle, Grey Plum

Family

Ebenaceae

Where found

Forest and gullies. Coastal north of Batemans Bay. Rarely in the ranges.

Notes

Tree to 40 m high. Fruit fleshy. Bark dark grey or brown to almost black, rough and scaly on large trees. Young stems hairy, becoming hairless. Branchlets zigzaggy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 3–10 cm long, 10–35 mm wide, tough to stiff, upper surface hairless, dark green and shining, lower surface hairless or sparsely hairy and pale with a yellowish grey tinge, tips more or less pointed. Male and female flowers on different plants. Flowers white or creamy, 3–4 mm long, with 5 **petals**, in clusters of 3–5 flowers. Fruit yellow, turning reddish, 8–10 mm in diameter, ripe summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswf1&lvl=sp&name=Diospyros~pentamera> (accessed 12 January, 2021)

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