

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers. Australian Plant Image Index. Australian Tropical Rainforest key, photographer unknown, place unknown



Fruit and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index. Australian Tropical Rainforest key, photographer unknown, place unknown



Trunk. Photographer Peter Woodard, Foxground, SW of Kiama

## Common name

Bonewood, Yellow ash

## Family

Rhamnaceae

## Where found

Rainforest. Coast and ranges north of Batemans Bay.

## Notes

Tree to 25 m tall. Fruit somewhat fleshy. Bark silvery grey, with fine longitudinal fissures, often prominently fissured and corky at the base on larger trees. Young stems hairy with fawn, brown, or ginger hairs, soon becoming hairless. Leaves mostly opposite each other, rarely **alternating** up the stems, 2.5–11.5 cm long, 10–68 mm wide, green and glossy, margins **entire**. Flowers white or cream with 5 narrow hooded **petals** each about 1.5 mm long, and 5 petal-like **sepals** each 1–2 mm long, much more noticeable than the petals. Flowers in small to large clusters. Fruit orange to yellow, round, 4–8 mm in diameter. The fleshy outer layer dries out and falls away leaving the reddish brown 'seeds' exposed but still attached to the base of the fruit. Fruits autumn-winter.

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

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