

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

## Common name

A heath

## Family

Ericaceae

## Where found

**Heath** on exposed sandstone ridges. Blue Mountains.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 0.6 m high. Stems with prominent, more or less triangular. leaf scars. Branchlets hairy with fine hairs. Leaves crowded at the ends of the branches, 0.2–0.49 cm long, 1.1–2.8 mm wide, tips more or less blunt, margins with minute teeth and curving upwards at the leaf tips; **blades** thick, flat to concave with the **midrib** prominent on the lower surface. Flowers white or cream, 4–6 mm in diameter, tubular, with 5 **spreading** lobes each 2–3 mm long. No hairs on the inside of the flowers. Flowers in short leafy clusters at the ends of the branches. Flowering: August–September, or rarely May.

Family was Epacridaceae.

PlantNET description with line drawings and photo of dried specimen: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Epacris~rigida> (accessed 12 January, 2021)

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