

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Big Badja trig, NE of Cooma



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Common name

Round-leaf heath

Family

Ericaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **heath**, often on rocky slopes, at higher altitudes. Blue Mountains. ACT. Tablelands and ranges south from east of the ACT.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m high. Stems with inconspicuous leaf scars. Branchlets hairy. Leaves scattered or overlapping, 0.4–0.8 cm long, 3.2–6.5 mm wide, tips blunt and often more or less turned up, margins thickened; **blades** thick, flat, surfaces more or less rough. Flowers sweet-scented, cream, 6–7 mm in diameter, tubular, the tube 6–7.6 mm long, with 5 **spreading** lobes. No hairs on the inside of the flowers. Flowers in short leafy clusters near the ends of the branches. Flowering: August–December, or rarely April.

Family was Epacridaceae.

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&lvl=sp&name=Epacris~robusta> (accessed 12 January, 2021)

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