## Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Leaves and gumuts. Photographer Don Wood Carnarvaon Station Bush Heritage Reserve via Augathella, Odd


Line draw ings. d. juvenile (right) and adult (left) leaves; buds and gumnuts. KRThiele, Australian National Herbarium, ©2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board, Melbourne, Vic

## Common name

Grey box, Narrow-leaved box, Inland box

## Family

## Myrtaceae

## Where found

Grassy woodland. Western Slopes. Tablelands north of the ACT.

## Notes

Tree to 25 m tall, rarely a mallee. Bark rough over the whole trunk and often on the larger branches, fibrous-flaky (box-type) or tessellated, grey, grey- brown or mottled with grey and whitish patches. Smooth bark above, shedding in short ribbons. Juvenile stems rounded in cross section. Juvenile leaves opposite each other for a few pairs then alternating up the stems, 6-15 cm long, $40-55 \mathrm{~mm}$ wide, dull, blue-green or green. Adult leaves alternating up the stems, 6-15 cm long, 10-25 mm wide, glossy or dull, green. Flowers white, with 0 petals. Mature flower buds $4-9 \mathrm{~mm}$ long, caps shorter than or as long as the base. Flower clusters 3-11 flowered, forming large compound clusters at the ends of the stems or sometimes at the bases of the leaves. Flowers most of the year. Gumnuts 3-5 mm in diameter, sometimes faintly angled longitudinally. Gumnuts that have dropped their seed have valves that are not very noticeable.

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?
page=nswfl\&|v|=sp\&name=Eucalyptus~microcarpa (accessed 22 January, 2021)
EUCLID description: https://apps.Iucidcentral.org/euclid/text/entities/eucalyptus_microcarpa.htm (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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