

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers on red stems. Photographer John Tann, east of Campbelltown



Flower buds. Photographer John Tann, east of Campbelltown



Bark. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Mallee. Australian Plant Image Index, photographers Brooker & Kleinig, unknown place

Common name

Whipstick ash, Whipstick mallee ash

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Mallee shrubland, often in poorly drained areas. Coast, ranges, and occasionally the tablelands, north of the Kings Highway.

Notes

Mallee to 8 m tall. Bark smooth throughout or with a short stocking of rough bark less than 50 cm high at the base of the branches. Smooth bark shedding in long ribbons. Branchlets not **glaucous**. **Juvenile** stems cylindrical, sometimes slightly glaucous. Juvenile leaves opposite each other for a few pairs, then **alternating** up the stems, 5-9.5 cm long, 20-45 mm wide, dull, usually blue-green to grey-green. **Adult** leaves alternating up the stems, 7-15 cm long, 14-30 mm wide, glossy or dull, green. Flowers white, with 0 **petals**. Flower clusters 7-15-flowered. Mature flower buds 3-6 mm long, caps shorter than the base. Flowers Spring. Gumnuts 6-8 mm in diameter. 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&lvl=sp&name=Eucalyptus-multicaulis> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

EUCLID description: https://apps.lucidcentral.org/euclid/text/entities/eucalyptus_multicaulis.htm (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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