

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



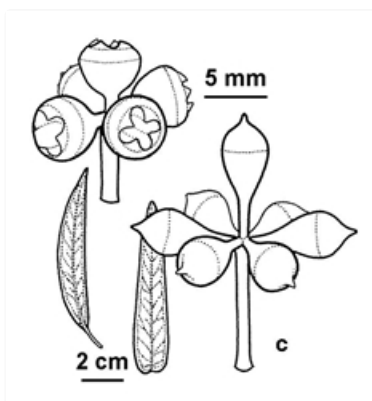
Gumnuts and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Paul Hadobas, between Bungendore and Braidwood



Juvenile foliage. Photographer Jackie Miles



Tree. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Royal Botanic Gardens, Melbourne, Vic



Line drawings. with juvenile (right) and adult (left) leaves; buds and gumnuts. KR Thiele, Australian National Herbarium, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board, Melbourne, Vic

Common name

Ironbark peppermint, Gully gum, Gully peppermint, Blackbutt peppermint

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, steep rocky slopes, and moist valleys. Coast, ranges, and tablelands.

Notes

Tree or mallee to 45 m tall. Bark rough to varying heights on the trunk or on the **entire** trunk, shortly fibrous, compacted, grey-brown to black. **Mallee** form usually smooth barked throughout. Smooth bark shedding in long ribbons, sometimes **powdery**. **Juvenile** stems rounded in cross section, smooth or slightly warty. Juvenile leaves opposite each other and stem-clasping to the early sapling stage, 5-11 cm long, 6-25 mm wide, green or grey-green, glossy. **Adult** leaves **alternating** up the stems, 6-21 cm long, 7-16 mm wide, green, glossy to dull. Flowers white, with 0 **petals**. Flower clusters 7-flowered. Mature flower buds 4-7 mm long, caps shorter than or as long as the base. Flowers Summer-Autumn. Gumnuts 4-8 mm in diameter. Gumnuts that have dropped their seed have strongly protruding **valves**.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Eucalyptus-smithii> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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

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