

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Flower cluster and young seed case. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer S Donaldson, Appin Way

Common name

Grey Spider Flower

Family

Proteaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **heath**. Ranges and tablelands north from Morton National Park. Coastal north of Kiama to the Sydney area.

Notes

Shrub to 2.5 m high. Branchlets **silky**. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 1–3 cm long, 20–40 mm wide, margins **entire**, and curved to rolled down, upper surface silky when young, ageing to hairless, lower surface densely silky. Flowers with 4 '**petals**' joined together in pairs, '**petals**' pale brown, hairy. **Gynoecium** 9–12 mm long, **style** pinkish grey, hairy. Flower clusters **umbel**-like. Flowers all year but chiefly late winter–summer.

In the absence of specific information, seeds of all species of *Grevillea* have been keyed as having one **wing**.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Grevillea~sphacelata> (accessed 19 January, 2021)

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