

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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## Common name

False sarsaparilla, Purple coral-pea, Waraburra

## Family

Fabaceae

## Where found

Variety of **habitats**, particularly **forest** and **woodland**. Widespread.

## Notes

Climber or **prostrate shrub**, stems to 2m long. Stems hairless. Leaves **alternating** along the stems, 3-11.5 cm long, 10-50 mm wide, more or less leathery, dark green above, paler below, hairless, **venation** prominently **reticulate**. Flowers 7-10 mm long, pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, purple to mauve or pink, occasionally white, the **standard** petal with a cream to yellowish spot. Flowers in clusters, the upper clusters of 20-30 flowers forming branched clusters. Flowers Winter to Spring.

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=Hardenbergia~violacea> (accessed 19 January, 2021)

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