

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra



Flowering stems. Photographer Michael Jefferies, Stanthorpe, Qld



Pods and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra

## Common name

A hovea

## Family

Fabaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest** and **woodland**. Western Slopes north of the Hume Highway.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 3 m tall. Stems hairy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 3.5–10 cm long, 7–17 mm wide. Flowers pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, more or less flat but often folded when immature, **midrib** slightly recessed, margins flat, tips rounded to pointed, **mucro** up to 1 mm long; upper surface green and glossy or hoary grey and dull, hairless except for coiled white hairs along the midrib, less often covered to varying degrees hairy with minute hairs, smooth, **venation** usually indistinct; lower surface completely obscured by light to dark tan or grey-tan coiled hairs, midrib hairs dense, brown. **Standard** petal 8–10 mm long, dark mauve, with green-yellow markings. Flowers in 2-4 flowered clusters. Flowers in August and September.

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

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