

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, Eurobodalla Regional Botanic Gardens south of Batemans Bay

Common name

Long-leaved hovea, Rusty pods

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Forest, mainly on along streams. Coast, ranges, and the eastern part of the tablelands.

Notes

Shrub to 3 m tall. Stems with dense brown to grey, sometimes partly black, hairs. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 2-8.5 cm long, 2-9 mm wide, almost flat to moderately arched on each side of a shallowly recessed **midrib**, margins curved to rolled down, tips rounded to somewhat pointed, **mucro** short; upper surface green, glossy, hairless, smooth, **venation** indistinct; lower surface mostly to completely obscured by close, golden-brown curled hairs, midrib hairs dense, dark orange-brown. Flowers pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, pink or blue to mauve. **Standard** petal with a yellow to cream spot. Flowers in 1-3 or more flowered clusters. Flowers Winter to Spring.

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

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