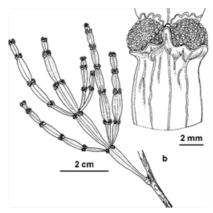
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Flowering stems. Arrow points to flowers. Australian Rant Image Index, Australian Tropical Rainforest key, unknown photographer



Plant on host. Australian Plant Image Index, Australian Tropical Painforest key, unknown photographer



Line drawings. b. jointed stem tips of internode showing flower cushions © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board, Melbourne, Vic

Common name

Jointed Mistletoe, Ribbon-stemmed Mistletoe

Family

Santalaceae

Where found

Rainforest and wet forest on a broad range of hosts. Coastal. Blue Mountains.

Notes

Mistletoe usually to 0.16 m high. Plants attached to the host by a bulbous union. Stems between the nodes (internodes) greenish, hairless, except for hairs at the nodes, strongly flattened, contracted at the tips and base. Leaves 0.03–0.1 cm long, opposite each other, membranous, together continuous around the **node**, and forming borders around the flowers. Male and female flowers in the same cluster. Flowers with 3 'petals', about 0.5 mm in diameter. Flowers usually 10–80 per cluster, in 2–5 rows almost encircling a node initially, separating as the internode expands. Flowers mostly spring. Fruit less than 2 mm long.

Family Viscaceae in PlantNET.

PlantNET description: https://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl? page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Korthalsella~rubra (accessed 26 April 2021)

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