

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering branches. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer J Wrigley, Hassans Walls lookout

## Common name

A tea-tree

## Family

Myrtaceae

## Where found

**Heath Forest.** on rocky escarpments. Tablelands and ranges between Crookwell and Kandos. Mostly near Lithgow and in Newnes State Forest.

## Notes

**Shrub** about 1 m high. Leaf tips blunt to sharp. Bark rough, shed in strips. Younger stems densely hairy. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, **alternating** up the stems, 0.4–0.8 cm long, 2–5 mm wide, often concave in cross section, **silky** on the bases and margins; tips variably rounded to pointed, bases tapering more or less gradually to a short slender stalk, often broader at the base. Flowers about 7 mm in diameter, with 5 white or pink **petals**, in clusters of 1-4 flowers. Flowers November to December. Nuts shed late, 2-3.5 mm in diameter, becoming hairless.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Leptospermum-blakelyi> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

Additional information in: Thompson, J. (8 December 1989), A revision of the genus *Leptospermum* (Myrtaceae). *Telopea* 3(3): 378-379, map 5-30

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