

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



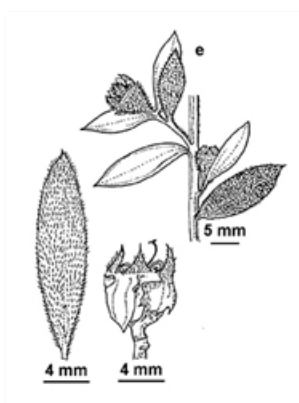
Flowers, nuts, and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, Namadji National Park, ACT



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



Young nuts and leaves. Photographer David Francis, Macedon Ranges, Vic



Line drawings. e. branchlet, leaf, nut. SM Clarke, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Mountain Tea-tree, Woolly tea-tree

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, rocky areas, along streams, and swamps. Widespread.

Notes

Shrub or small tree to 25 m tall. Leaves sharp pointed. Bark papery, peeling off in strips or flakes. Younger stems hairy with minute hairs, becoming hairless. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, **alternating** up the stems, 1-3.5 cm long, 3-8 mm wide, margins curved down or flat, upper surface hairless, lower surface **felted** or **silky** to hairless, or silky on both surfaces, tips blunt with a small point or pointed, bases more or less tapering to a short stalk. Flowers 12 to more than 18 mm in diameter, with 5 white **petals**, and 5 small red or dark pink **sepals**. Flowers single. Flowers Spring to Autumn. Nuts persisting, 5-10 mm in diameter, surface lifting and flaking, finally rather smooth.

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=Leptospermum-grandifolium> (accessed 12 January, 2021)

Additional information in: Thompson, J. (8 December 1989), A revision of the genus *Leptospermum* (Myrtaceae). *Telopea* 3(3): 425-427, map 9-66

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