

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

Common name

A beard heath

Family

Ericaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, **heath**, and swamp margins. Coastal north from the Sydney area.

Notes

Shrub to 3 m high. Fruit fleshy. Branchlets bristly. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 0.6–1.12 cm long, 1.2–2.5 mm wide, thin, surfaces bristly, lower surface convex and **striate**- to parallel-veined, margins curved down and finely toothed. Flowers white, tubular, the tube 1.15–1.3 mm long, hairy inside, with 5 lobes each 1.3–2.5 mm long. Flowers **erect**, sparse, 1 or 2 together. Flowering: most of the year. Fruit green with a white fleshy base, 3–4 mm long, oval, compressed, surface ribbed, hairless or sparsely bristly.

Family was Epacridaceae.

PlantNET description with line drawing and photo of dried specimen: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Leucopogon~margarodes> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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