Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Photographer Don Wood, near Candelo



Apples. Australian Flant Image Index, photographe Murray Fagg, roadside near Cooma



Trunk. Photographer Steven K Baskauf, Ohio, USA



Tree. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Jerrabombera Wetlands, Canberra, ACT

Common name

Apple

Family

Rosaceae

Where found

Naturalizing from discarded apple cores and animal-dispersed seed. Bushland, roadsides, old gardens, and along streams. Widespread.

Notes

Introduced deciduous tree to about 10 m high. Fruit fleshy. Bark thin, smooth, sometimes fissured. Branchlets with lenticels, hairy or hairless. Leaves alternating up the stems, 3–13 cm long, 15–70 mm wide, upper surface sparsely tomentose, lower surface densely tomentose, margins toothed or scalloped, tips pointed or blunt. Flowers white, pink or red, fragrant, with 5 petals 15–25 mm long. Flowers in small clusters on short shoots. Flowering: Spring. Fruit green, yellowish, pink, red, or a combination of these.

Family was Malaceae.

Was Malus x domestica. Malus domestica in the Census of Plants of the Australian Capital Territory (30 August, 2019)

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Malus~pumila (accessed 25 January, 2021)

Description partly taken from: http://www.illinoiswildflowers.info/trees/plants/apple.html (accessed 25 January, 2021)

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