

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower spike. Photographer Don Wood, South Pacific Heathland Reserve, Ulladulla



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Fronts of leaves. Photographer John Tann, Waterfall, Sydney



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, unknown photographer, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Bark. Photographer John Tann, Waterfall, Sydney

Common name

Hillock bush

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Woodland, wet and dry **heath**, grassy areas, moist areas, along streams, and coastal headlands. Coast, ranges, and the eastern tablelands.

Notes

Shrub to 6 m tall. Bark corky to somewhat papery. Branchlets initially hairy with short hairs, soon becoming hairless. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite or almost opposite each other, 1-4 cm long, 4-10 mm wide, tips blunt to pointed, surfaces hairless.

Flower **spikes** orange to red, many-flowered, 30-50 mm long, about 60 mm wide. Individual flowers with 5 **petals** each about 5 mm long. **Stamens** much longer. Flowers Spring to Autumn.

Native in NSW, **naturalised** in Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Melaleuca~hypericifolia> (accessed 13 April 2021)

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