

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering branch. Photographer Don Wood, Jervis Bay Road, Jervis Bay, NSW



Nuts. Photographer John Tann, Darkes Forest near Wollongong

## Common name

Thyme honey-myrtle

## Family

Myrtaceae

## Where found

Damp places in **heath** and **shrubland**, and swamp margins. Mainly coast, ranges, and the eastern edge of the tablelands, north of Bawley Point.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 2 m tall. Bark corky. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite or nearly opposite each other, mostly 1-1.5 cm long, 1-3 mm wide, tips pointed, surfaces hairless. Flower **heads** to 20 mm long, few-flowered, pink to deep mauve. Individual flowers with 5 **petals**, each 4-5 mm long. **Stamens** much longer. Flowers Summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Melaleuca-thymifolia> (accessed 24 January, 2021)

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