

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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## Common name

Rose-scented Pelargonium

## Family

Geraniaceae

## Where found

Cliffs and sand dunes. Coastal north of Batemans Bay. Occasionally elsewhere.

## Notes

**Introduced** shrubby aromatic **perennial** herb to 1 m high. Stems semi-fleshy; covered in soft hairs. Leaves **alternating** up the stems or opposite each other, 2–8 cm long 20–80 mm wide, oval to **cordate**, partially to deeply 3–7-lobed, the lobes toothed, surfaces hairy. Flowers pink, at least the larger pair veined and often blotched dark crimson, with 5 **petals** each 10–18 mm long. **Sepals** 5–8 mm long, with a **spur** 3–4 mm long. Usually 7 **stamens** that produce pollen. Flowers in 7–12-flowered clusters. Flowering: throughout the year, but chiefly spring.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Pelargonium~capitatum> (accessed 30 January, 2021)

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