# **Plants of South Eastern New South Wales**



Flowers and leaves. Photographer lan McMaster, SE of Parkes

#### Common name

A Waxflower

### **Family**

Rutaceae

## Where found

Dry forest, woodland, heath, rocky areas, gullies, and moist places. Western Slopes, mostly round West Wyalong. Ranges and tablelands north of the area covered by this key.

## **Notes**

Shrub to 2 m high. Stems sparsely glandular-warty, hairy with fine hairs. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, alternating up the stems, needle-like, 0.4–0.8 cm long, about 0.5 mm wide, narrow-grooved above, sparsely glandular-warty, hairless or sparsely hairy with fine hairs, tips pointed to blunt. Flowers with 5 petals each about 9 mm long, white to pink. Stamens free from each other, the filaments usually hairy from the base, sometimes cohering by intertwined hairs. Flowers in 1–6 flowered clusters, stalkless or on stalks 2-5 mm long. Flowering: spring.

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PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Philotheca~ericifolia (accessed 17 January, 2021)

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