

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Male cones. Photographer Riverbanks Outdoor Store from New Port Richey, Florida, USA



Open mature female cone. Photographer TheSussman (Mike) from Georgia, USA



Foliage and immature female cones. Photographer TheSussman (Mike) from Georgia, USA



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## Common name

Slash Pine

## Family

Pinaceae

## Where found

Urban bushland, **woodland**, **grassland**, disturbed sites and waste areas. Mainly Sydney area and north. Rarely elsewhere.

## Notes

**Introduced** tree to 30 m high. Minute prickles at the tips of the woody **scales** of the female **cones**. Bark grey to rusty brown or reddish, broken into broad irregular plates and fissures, and partly shedding in broad, thin scales. Shoots **glaucous**, branchlets orange-brown. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, 17.5–30 cm long, 1.2–1.5 mm wide, glossy, bright green, margins finely toothed. Leaves in bundles of twos or threes and enclosed within a **sheath** at the base. Male and female cones on the same plant. Male cones purplish, 25–60 mm long, in clusters. Mature female cones initially green, brown or reddish-brown when mature, 70–200 mm long, 30–70 mm wide, made up of many woody scales, each thickened at the top. Female cones single or in pairs, symmetrical, borne on short stalks, pointing down. Seeds mottled grey or black, oval to oval, with a single papery **wing** 25–30 mm long.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Pinus~elliottii> (accessed 1 February, 2021)

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