

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Flowering branches. Photographer Don Wood, Mt Budawang, Budawang National Paark



Shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Boonoo Boonoo Falls south east of Stanthorpe, NSW

## Common name

Native holly, Prickly shaggy pea, Prickly podolobium

## Family

Fabaceae

## Where found

**Forest.** Mainly coast, ranges, and the eastern tablelands. Occasionally elsewhere.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 3 m tall. Stems hairy to hairless. Spiny **stipules** 1–3 mm long. Leaves lobed, with a sharp point at the tips of each lobe. Leaves opposite or almost opposite each other, 2-10 cm long, 10-30 mm wide, upper surface **reticulate** and shining. Flowers 8-10 mm long, pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, yellow to orange-yellow, often with red markings. Flowers in few- to many-flowered clusters. Flowers Spring to Summer.

Rare Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Podolobium-ilicifolium> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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