

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

Common name

Tranquility Mintbush, Askania Mintbush

Family

Lamiaceae

Where found

Rainforest and wet **forest** near drainage lines. Coast and eastern edge of the ranges north of Broken Bay.

Notes

Shrub to 3 m high, sometimes **scrambling**. Branches densely covered with long, whitish hairs, moderately covered with stalkless **glands**. The whole plant strongly aromatic. Leaves opposite each other, 1.2–4 cm long, 8–24 mm wide, surfaces dusty green, hairy with long more or less **spreading** hairs, moderately covered with almost stalkless glands, margins flat, deeply toothed with the rounded teeth directed forward, tips blunt. Flowers pale mauve to mauve or bluish, about 8 to 14 mm long, with a bell-shaped tube, 2-lipped, 5-lobed. **Calyx** 2-lobed. Flowers in 4-10 flowered leafless clusters. Flowering: spring.

Endangered Australia. Endangered NSW. Provisions of the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 No 63 relating to the protection of protected plants generally also apply to plants that are a threatened species.

NSW Threatened Species profile with photos: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedSpeciesApp/profile.aspx?id=10671> (accessed 7 January 2021)

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Prostanthera-askania> (accessed 7 January 2021)

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