Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, west of Uladulla

Common name

A mint bush

Family

Lamiaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, and stream banks. Western part of the Sydney area. Blue Mountains. Ranges west and north west of Ulladulla.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m high. Branches 4-ridged, usually more or less warty, with short, curled hairs between the ridges, moderately covered with more or less stalkless **glands**. The whole plant slightly aromatic. Leaves opposite each other, 1.6–6.5 cm long, 9–40 mm wide, light to mid-green, densely covered with more or less stalkless glands, hairless, or sparsely hairy on the **veins** on the lower surface, margins **entire** or finely toothed, tips more or less blunt. Flowers white with a faint mauve tinge inside the throat, pale mauve, or rarely with a pink tinge, 12–15 mm long, with a bell-shaped tube, 2-lipped, the upper lip notched to 2-lobed, the lower lip 3-lobed. Calyx 2-lobed. Flowers in leafless clusters. Flowering: spring.

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl? page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Prostanthera~prunelloides (accessed 3 February, 2021)

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