

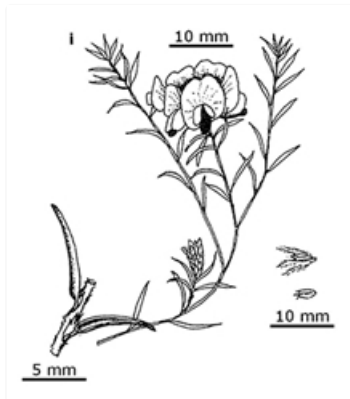
# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Photographer Don Wood, Coolmooka Nature Reserve near Bombala



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer R Hill, Langwarrin, Vic



Line drawings. i. flowering stem, leaves and stipules; calyx; bracteole. J Armstrong, National Herbarium of Victoria. © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

## Common name

Clustered bush-pea

## Family

Fabaceae

## Where found

Open **forest**, wet **heath**, and sphagnum swamps, often near streams. Coast, ranges, and the eastern part of the tablelands.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 1 m tall or sprawling to **prostrate**. Stems finely ribbed, hairy with pale, **appressed** hairs when young. Leaves **alternating** up the stems or opposite each other, 0.5-1.2 cm long, 0.5-2 mm wide, concave in cross section, tips blunt, margins curved to rolled upwards, upper surface hairless, paler than the lower surface, lower surface hairless or becoming hairless, and occasionally slightly wrinkled or rough. Flowers 4-10 mm long, pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, **standard** petal yellow to orange with red **striations**, **wings** yellow to orange, keel yellow to red. **Bracteoles** with 3 teeth at the tips, inserted at the base of the **calyx** tube. Flowers in dense clusters. Flowers Spring to Summer. Pods sparsely hairy, smooth.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Pultenaea-dentata> (accessed 2 February, 2021)

Description partly taken from: Kok, R.P.J. de & West, J.G., (2003) A revision of the genus *Pultenaea* (Fabaceae) 2. Eastern Australian species with velutinous **ovaries** and curved upwards leaves. *Australian Systematic Botany* 16(2): 238-239, Fig. 2

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