

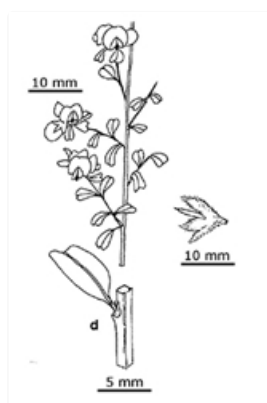
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Ian Robb, Turbri Wetlands, Tuggerah Lakes



Flowering stem. Photographer Don Wood, near Basin View, Jervis Bay



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

Common name

Notched bush-pea, Blunt bush-pea, Mt Kaye bush-pea

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, and **heath.** Coast, ranges, and tablelands.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m tall. Stems angled, hairy when young. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 0.1-2 cm long, 1–10 mm wide, flat to concave in cross section, margins flat to slightly curved down, upper surface hairless, darker than the lower surface, lower surface hairless except for the **midrib** being slightly hairy on young leaves, tips squared-off or blunt to notched. Flowers 4-7 mm long, pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, **standard** petal yellow to orange with red markings, **wings** yellow to orange, keel red to purple. **Bracteoles** boat-shaped to **linear**, inserted on the **calyx** tube. Flowers in dense clusters. Flowers most of the year. Pods densely to sparsely hairy, smooth.

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

Description partly taken from: Kok, R.P.J. de & West, J.G., (2004) A revision of the genus *Pultenaea* (Fabaceae) 3. The eastern species with curved down leaves. *Australian Systematic Botany* 17(3): 310-313, Fig. 17 (map)

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