

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer José María Escolano, Spain



Fruit. Photographer Augustus Binu, unknown place



Leafy branches with fruit. Photographer Peripatesy, Morocco

Common name

Pomegranate

Family

Lythraceae

Where found

Garden **escape**. Sydney area.

Notes

Introduced deciduous tree or **shrub** to about 5 m high. Fruit fleshy, edible. Leaves opposite each other or in clusters, 2–7 cm long, 8–20 mm wide, tips blunt to pointed. Leaves turning yellow in autumn before falling. Flowers orange-red, with 5-7 **petals** each 20–25 mm long, crimped on the margins. Flowers single or in few flowered clusters. Fruit brownish yellow flushed with red, spherical, about 7 cm diameter. Seeds numerous, each surrounded by a juicy translucent pulp.

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

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