

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaf. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, near Lithgow



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Common name

Possumwood, Brown Possumwood, Pink Corkwood, Pink Wood, Rough Possumwood, Red Possumwood

Family

Paracryphiaceae

Where found

Rainforest and cracks in sandstone. Seeds often germinate and grow on the trunks of tree ferns before the roots grow down into the soil. Coastal north from Conjola. Ranges north from the Budawang Range.

Notes

Tree to 25 m high. Bark red-brown, rough, wrinkled, with short longitudinal fissures. Young stems hairless, with minute reddish surface **glands**. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 5–12 cm long, 15–50 mm wide, tips pointed, margins **entire**, surfaces hairless, leathery, **reticulation** usually prominent on the upper surface, lower surface dotted with minute reddish glands. Flowers with 5 white **spreading petals** each 2–4 mm long. Flowers in many-flowered branched clusters 7–15 cm long. Flowering: October–November.

Family was Quintiniaceae.

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

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