

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Georges Seguin (Okki), France



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Sakurai Mdori, Japan



Leaves and fruit. Photographer Qwert1234, Japan

Common name

A rose

Family

Rosaceae

Where found

Near old habitations, roadsides, and near streams. Sydney area, Blue Mountains, and Albury district. Records from Canberra but it is not on the *Census of Vascular Plants of the Australian Capital Territory* (ACT) Version 4.0 (13 September 2017).

Notes

Introduced shrub to about 3.5 m high, **scrambling** or sprawling, sometimes **deciduous**. Stems with scattered, often paired, prickles to about 7 mm long. Fruit fleshy. Stems almost hairless. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, **compound**, with 5–9 leaflets, each mostly 1–3 cm long, 7–20 mm wide, both surfaces hairless, **midvein** on the lower leaf surface with scattered **glands**, margins with **gland**-tipped teeth, tips blunt or pointed. A pair of hairless leaflike **stipules** at the base of each leaf, the margins toothed to deeply lobed, fringed with dispersed **glandular** hairs between the teeth. Flowers white or pink, usually double, with 10 **petals**, sometimes single with 5 petals, each 13–15 mm long. Flower stalks more or less hairless, sparsely glandular, without prickles. Flowers single or in few- to many-flowered clusters. Flowers Nov.–Dec. Fruit red to purplish, oval to round, to about 15 mm long, hairless or sparsely sticky hairy.

VICFLORA description: <https://vicflora.rbg.vic.gov.au/flora/taxon/e5cb6ca5-4c04-48a2-a784-2d5a66a59157> (accessed 18 March 2021)

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