

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Flowering branches. Photographer Don Wood, Booderee Botanic Gardens, Jervis Bay



Flowering branches. Photographer Richard Hartland, Grampians, Vic

Common name

Pine heath

Family

Ericaceae

Where found

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

Notes

Shrub to 1 m high or sprawling. Branchlets hairy. Leaves crowded, usually 0.95–2.5 cm long, 0.3–1 mm wide; thick, rough, lower surface usually with only the prominent **midrib** visible; margins flat to rolled down, tips straight, fine, and **mucronate**. Flowers usually **erect**, red to yellow, usually yellow-green to green above, sometimes also shading to yellow at the base, tubular, the tube 9–20 mm long, with 5 lobes each 4–6.1 mm long, the lobes densely **bearded** inside, or sparsely bearded with a tuft of erect hairs near the lobe midpoint. Flowers single, but often appearing clustered at the bases of the branches. Flowering: March–November. Ripe fruit white, oval to globular, about 5–15 mm long.

Family was Epacridaceae.

Astroloma pinifolium in PlantNET.

PlantNET description (as *Astroloma pinifolium*): <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Astroloma~pinifolium> (accessed 3 May 2021)

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