

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering branchlet. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Royal Botanic Gardens, Mt Annan near Campbelltown



Flowers, fruit, and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



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Trunk. Photographer Paul Segal, north west of Taree.

## Common name

Brush cherry, Creek satinash

## Family

Myrtaceae

## Where found

**Forest** and along streams. Coast and ranges north of Milton, occasionally farther south.

## Notes

**Shrub** or tree to 25 m tall. Fruit fleshy. Larger trees with short buttresses. Bark flaky, more or less scaly. Young stems 4-**winged** or 4-angled, hairless, the **wings** joining above each **node** to produce a small pocket or hump. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite each other, 2.5-10 cm long, 10-32 mm wide, tips pointed, surfaces hairless and glossy, lower surface paler; **lateral veins** generally visible; oil **glands** scattered, often faint. Flowers white, with 4 **petals**, each 3.5-6 mm long. **Stamens** 15-20 mm long. **Hypanthium** about 2-6.5 mm wide. Flowers often in 3-7 flowered clusters. Fruit pink to red, oval, 15-25 mm long.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Syzygium-australe> (accessed 9 February, 2021)

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