

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Goobang National Park east of Parkes



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Bungonia State Conservation Area east of Goulburn



Flowering shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Joe McAuliffe, Big Desert National Park, Vic



Line drawings. e. branch segment eastern form; calyx. P Strickland, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Slender Westringia, Slender Western Rosemary

Family

Lamiaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, and stream banks. Widespread.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m high. Stems rough hairy, later becoming hairless. Leaves slightly aromatic when rubbed, in **whorls** of 3 or rarely 4, 0.4–2.7 cm long, 0.5–2 mm wide, hairy when young, and sometimes rough, margins **entire** and curved to rolled down, the lower surface often almost concealed. Flowers lilac, mauve or purple, rarely white, usually with orange to brown dots, 6–13 mm long, tubular, 2-lipped, with 5 lobes notched at the tips. **Calyx** green, hairy, tubular, with 5 pointed lobes. Flowers single at the bases of the leaves, in elongated leafy clusters. Flowering: throughout the year.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Westringia-eremicola> (accessed 8 February, 2021)

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