

# *Amyema plicatula* (K.Krause) Danser

Family:  
Loranthaceae

Danser, B.H. (1929) *Bulletin du Jardin Botanique de Buitenzorg Series 3* 10(3): 298.

## Stem

Aerial stem-parasitic shrub. Short epicortical runners present.

## Leaves

Leaf blades elliptic to obovate, about 5.5-11 x 3-8 cm, without any obvious venation. Leaves usually opposite, sometimes in whorls of 3 to 4. Petioles very short, about 0.4-0.8 cm long.

## Flowers

Flowers produced in pedunculate umbels with 2-5 rays of diads or triads. Primary peduncle about 12-20 mm long, peduncle in the umbels about 5-10 mm long. Flowers sessile. Calyx lobes nil or inconspicuous. Calyx limb about 0.5-1 mm long. Corolla lobes red, about 20-23 x 8-10 mm. Anthers about 3 mm long, anther filaments about 8 mm long. Ovary about 2-3 mm long. Style about 20 mm long.

## Fruit

Fruits ellipsoid to obovoid, 7-10 mm long, calyx limb and style often persistent at the apex.

## Seedlings

Features not available.

## Distribution and Ecology

Occurs in NEQ at an altitude of 1000 m. Known only from a single collection in NEQ. Also occurs in northern NSW with no known occurrences in between. Also found in New Guinea. Barlow (1992).

## Synonyms

***Amyema scandens* subsp. *plicatula* (K.Krause) Barlow**, *Australian Journal of Botany* 22(3): 588(1974). ***Loranthus plicatulus* K.Krause**, *Nova Guinea* 14: 102(1923), Type: 641 (holo.: L; iso.: K, U), New Guinea, Mamberamo R., Pionierbivak, 70 m, 16.vii.1920.

## RFK Code

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