Croton capitis-york Airy Shaw

**Family:** Euphorbiaceae


**Stem**
Usually flowers and fruits as a shrub to 5 m tall.

**Leaves**
Leaf blades about 3-16 x 1.2-6 cm, alternate along the twigs. Two glands present just below leaf blade base at junction with the petiole. Stellate scales present on young leaves, twigs and petioles. Stipules tiny and inconspicuous. Numerous oil dots visible with a lens.

**Flowers**
Male flowers: Flowers about 4 mm diam. with a corolla, petals clothed in long woolly hairs in upper half. Female flowers not seen.

**Fruit**
Capsules with dense stellate scales on top of mammillate protuberances (nipple-like projections) on the outer surface.

**Seedlings**
Features not available.

**Distribution and Ecology**
Occurs in CYP and the far northern part of NEQ. Altitudinal range from near sea level to near 500 m. Grows as an understory plant in various types of rain forest and monsoon forest.

**Synonyms**

**RFK Code**
3558

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