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Quintinia fawkneri F.Muell.

Family:

Paracryphiaceae

Mueller, F.J.H. von (1868) Fragmenta Phytographiae Australiae 6: 92. Type: In silvis montium apud singer

Common name:

Climbing Quintinia; Quintinia, Climbing

Stem

Vine stem diameters to 5 cm recorded. Stems much branched, tightly attached to the tree trunk. Most vascular rays are narrow and scarcely visible to the naked eye but there are a few vascular rays which are much wider than the rest and extend almost from the pith to the periphery of the stem.

Leaves

Leafy twigs densely clothed in scales. Leaf blades rather thick and leathery, about 15-50 x 10-30 mm, margins recurved, petioles about 2-9 mm long. Underside of the leaf blade completely covered by numerous white, brown or orange orbicular scales. Venation difficult to distinguish, about 6-8 veins on each side of the midrib.

Fruit

Capsules about 4 x 3 mm with 5 longitudinal ribs.

Seedlings

Features not available.

Distribution and Ecology

Endemic to NEQ. Altitudinal range from 700-1300 m. Grows in upland and mountain rain forest.

Natural History & Notes

An easily grown climber that can be trained over a fence or wall. Flowers are white in large bunches.

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Flowers [not vouchered]. © G. Sankowsky



Inflorescences and flowers. © B.
Gray



Inflorescences with immature fruit, and leaves [not vouchered]. © G. Sankowsky



Scale bar 10mm. © CSIRO



Vine stem transverse section. © CSIRO

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