Solanum dunalianum Gaudich.

**Family:**
Solanaceae


**Stem**
Shrub to 4 m tall, a rhizomatous perennial.

**Leaves**
Leaves ovate to elliptic, margin entire, lamina ca. 13-23 long x 4.3-7.5 cm wide, apex acute, base cuneate, upper and lower surfaces without prickles; petiole 1-1.8 cm long.

**Flowers**
Inflorescence axillary, 2-branched, common peduncle 5-8 mm long, rachis prickles absent; n 15-25-flowered, all flowers bisexual and 4 or 5-merous; pedicels 4-7 mm long at flowering. Corolla mauve, 7-8 mm long, deeply lobed, inner surface sparsely stellate hairy; ovary glabrous; style 7-8 mm long, erect, with stellate hairs.

**Fruit**
Fruiting calyx with lobes less than half length of mature fruit, prickles absent. Mature fruits 3-13 per inflorescence, globular, 8-9 mm diameter, red, 1-locular, mesocarp juicy, succulent; pedicels 8-16 mm long in fruit; seeds pale yellow 2-2.7 mm long.

**Seedlings**
Features not available.

**Distribution and Ecology**
Occurs in CYP, recorded from near Weipa and once on Thursday Island. Altitudinal range from near sea level to 50 m. Grows in or on the edge of vine forests. Also occurs in Malesia on some eastern Indonesian islands and New Guinea.

**Natural History & Notes**
Considered a Vulnerable species in Queensland as it is known from only a few locations, all of which are outside of conservation reserves.

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