

# *Tarennoidea wallichii* (Hook.f.) Tirveng. & Sastre

Family:  
Rubiaceae

Tirvengadam, D.D. & Sastre, C.H.L. (1979) *Mauritius Institute Bulletin* 8(4): 90.

## Stem

A small tree to 5 m, with grey smooth bark, elsewhere to 20 m tall. Young branchlets coppery brown, the thin epidermis caducous exposing wrinkled to smooth green stems.

## Leaves

Stipules 4-10 mm, glabrous, acute to acuminate. Petiole 1-3 cm long, glabrous; leaf blade drying leathery and often paler below, elliptic-oblong, oblanceolate-oblong, or elliptic-lanceolate, 7-30 cm long, 2.9-9 cm wide, above shiny and glabrous, below puberulent to glabrous, secondary veins 5-13 pairs, domatia deeply pitted, ciliate around orifice; base cuneate to acute, margins entire, often thinly revolute, apex obtuse to acuminate with tip often ultimately obtuse.

## Flowers

Inflorescence 4-12 cm long, 8-13 cm wide, densely hairy; bracts lanceolate to spatulate, 1-3 mm, acute to rounded; pedicels 1-5 mm. Calyx with ovary portion obconic, ca. 1 mm, densely hairy; limb 1-2.5 mm long, minutely hairy to glabrescent, lobes linear to narrowly triangular, 0.5-0.7 mm long, acute. Corolla yellow or white, tube 3-4 mm long, ca. 1.5 mm wide; lobes spatulate-oblong, 3-4 mm long, obtuse to rounded. Fruiting pedicels to 10 mm long.

## Fruit

Fruit ovoid to subglobose, 7-18 mm diam., glabrous; seeds ca. 5 mm long.

## Seedlings

Features not available.

## Distribution and Ecology

Occurs in NT, known only from Bathurst and Melville Islands. Occurs in the drier parts of evergreen rainforest and semi deciduous rainforests.

## Natural History & Notes

Description from Northern Territory Flora Online (2017).

## Synonyms

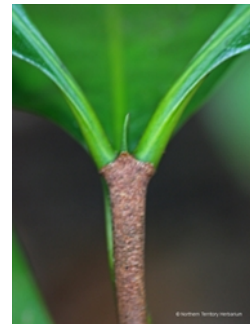
*Randia wallichii* Hook.f., *The Flora of British India* 3(7): 113 (1880).

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Stipule [not vouchered]. © Northern Territory Government



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