

WATTLE

Acacias of Australia

Acacia hastulata Sm.



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Acacia hastulata occurrence map.
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Family

Fabaceae

Distribution

Occurs from Scott R. and S of Nannup SE to Albany, and near Esperance, south-western W.A.

Description

Often intricate **shrub** 0.3–2 m high. Branches often virgate and arching downwards, reddish to orange-brown. **Branchlets** sparsely to moderately shortly **pilose**. **Stipules** setaceous to narrowly **triangular**, 2.5–4 mm long. Phyllodes **crowded**, **patent**, hastate-**acuminate** with the **abaxial** lobe **rounded** and the **gland-bearing adaxial** lobe angled, sometimes \pm cordiform, 3.5–6 mm long, 2–3 mm wide, **pungent**, with slender, c. 1 mm long **cusp**, **rigid**, green, normally **glabrous**; **midrib** central, prominent; **lateral** nerves absent. Inflorescences **simple**, 1 per **axil**; peduncles 2–4 (–7) mm long, **glabrous**; heads **globular**, 3–5-flowered, cream. Flowers 4-**merous**; **calyx** united, **cupular**. Pods **terete**, narrowed at both ends, **curved**, to 5.5 cm long, 1.5–2 mm diam., red-brown, **striate**, subglabrous. Seeds **longitudinal**, **oblong** to slightly **elliptic**, 2.5–3.5 mm long; **aril** terminal.

Habitat

Usually grows in swampy places often with *Melaleuca* or *Banksia*, also in Karri (*Eucalyptus diversicolor*) forest.

Specimens

W.A.: 34.5 km W of Denmark towards Walpole, *B.R.Maslin 3784* (MEL, PERTH); Stirling's Terrace [Albany townsite], *L.Preiss 959* (C, FI, G, GOET, HBG, K, L, LUND, M, MEL, MO, NAP, NY, P, STR, W); on Le Grand Rd c. 2 km from beach, *I.Solomon 406* (PERTH).

Notes

Distinguished from other members of the '*A. horridula* group' by its phyllode shape and, except *A. inops*, glabrous peduncles (*vide* B.R.Maslin, *Nuytsia* 2: 275 (1978)).

FOA Reference

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