

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer S Douglas, Maroota South, north of Sydney



Fruiting stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer S Douglas, Maroota South, north of Sydney

Common name

Hairy geebung

Family

Proteaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, and **heath**, on sandstone.

subsp. *evoluta*: Sydney area and north.

subsp. *hirsuta*: Coast, ranges, and tablelands, mostly between Appin and Bowral.

Notes

Shrub to 1.5 m high to sprawling, hairs greyish to tawny. Fruit fleshy. Bark smooth. Young branchlets moderately to densely hairy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 0.5–1.4 cm long, 0.7–5 mm wide, convex in cross section, surfaces almost hairless to densely hairy, and rough, margins curved to rolled down. Flowers with 4 yellow to orange '**petals**' each about 10 mm long, more or less fused at the base, moderately to densely hairy on the outside. Flowers **subtended** by scale leaves and leaves, in 1–10-flowered, sometimes leafy, clusters. Flowers chiefly Nov.–Jan.

Endangered Australia. Endangered NSW. Protected NSW.

subsp. *evoluta*: Leaves spoon-shaped to elliptic or narrowly so, 1.5–5 mm wide, margins curved down.

subsp. *hirsuta*: Leaves **linear** to narrow-oblong, 0.75–1.5 mm wide, margins rolled down.

NSW Threatened Species profile of species: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedSpeciesApp/profile.aspx?id=10595> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

PlantNET description of species and key to the two subspecies: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Persoonia~hirsuta> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

Flora of Australia descriptions of species and subspecies: <https://profiles.ala.org.au/opus/foa/profile/Persoonia%20hirsuta> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

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