

# WATTLE

## *Acacias of Australia*

### *Acacia stipulosa* F.Muell.



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*Acacia stipulosa* occurrence map.  
Occurrence map generated via Atlas of Living Australia (<https://www.ala.org.au>).

### Family

Fabaceae

### Distribution

Occurs in Upper Victoria R. area, at Winnecke Ck and near Gardiner Ra., N.T.; also from the far eastern Kimberley region of W.A., E of Halls Creek.

### Description

Shrub to 3 m high. Branchlets terete, hispidulous and glandular-puberulous. Stipules persistent, 3.5–4 mm long, partially connate, with free portion linear-subulate. Phyllodes crowded, ascending, inequilaterally broadly elliptic or triangular, 4–8 mm long, 2–5 mm wide, acute, pungent, coriaceous, puberulous (some hairs gland-tipped), with 3 or 4 (or more) distant slightly raised nerves; gland 1 or 2, ±protruding from margin. Inflorescences simple, 1 per axil; peduncles (4–) 8–13 (–16) mm long, glandular-puberulous; heads ±globular, 8–10 mm diam., 30–40-flowered, golden; bracteoles exserted in buds, 3–4 mm long, pungent. Flowers with irregularly 5–11-lobed perianth; sepals 1/3–1/2-united; petals 2/3–3/4-united; petal lobes 7 or 8; stamens partially united. Pods linear, slightly raised over seeds, straight to curved, to 8 cm long, 5–8 (–9) mm wide, crustaceous, obliquely venulose, glandular-puberulous or glandular-pilose. Seeds oblique, elliptic, ±4 mm long; aril apical.

### Habitat

Grows in shallow soil on sandstone, in shrubland and woodland.

### Specimens

W.A.: Mt Junction, Gordon Downs Stn, *D.E. Albrecht 7694* (DNA, PERTH); Osmond Plateau, *I.D. Cowie 1906* (CANB, DNA, MEL, PERTH). N.T.: 74 km SW of Victoria R. HS, *P.K. Latz 5329* (BRI, PERTH); 41.8 km S of Hooker Ck–Birringudu–Tanami Junction, *J.R. Maconochie 1741* (BRI, PERTH).

### Notes

A member of the '*A. deltoidea*' group. Related to *A. deltoidea* which has regularly pentamerous flowers in contrast to the 5–11-lobed calyx and 7- or 8-lobed corolla of *A. stipulosa*, which also has the filaments united basally, a character-state that appears in the '*A. lycopodiifolia* group' and other groups of the tropical region. Also related to *A. froggattii*.

### FOA Reference

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