

WATTLE

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Acacia amblyophylla F.Muell.



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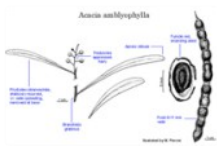
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Acacia amblyophylla occurrence map.
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Common Name

Shark Bay Manna Wattle

Family

Fabaceae

Distribution

Restricted to calcareous dunes on Tamala and Carrarang stns, Shark Bay, W.A.

Description

Bushy **shrub** or **tree** 1.5–4 m high, **multi-stemmed**, crowns **dense, clonal** due to aggressive suckering habit. **Branchlets glabrous**. Phyllodes **patent, oblanceolate**, normally shallowly **recurved**, (4–) 5–8 (–10) cm long, (4–) 5–10 (–12) mm wide, gradually narrowed to base, abruptly narrowed to **obtuse** apex, thinly **coriaceous**, slightly shiny, green, **glabrous**, 1-nerved per face, obscurely **penninerved**; **gland** obscure, single or sometimes 2, the lowermost 1–3.5 cm above **pulvinus**. Inflorescences **racemose**; **raceme axes** 1–3.5 cm long, sparsely **appressed-puberulous** with pale yellow or white hairs, often **glabrous** in fruit; peduncles 3–6 mm long, **indumentum** as on **raceme axes**; heads **globular**, 24–26-flowered, golden; **bracteole laminae** golden-**fimbriolate**; buds slightly **obloid**. Flowers 5-**merous**; sepals united. Pods broadly **linear** to **narrowly oblong**, flat but **rounded** over seeds, \pm **straight**-edged or slightly to moderately constricted between seeds, to 20 cm long, (8–) 10–13 mm wide, dark brown or dark reddish brown, **glabrous**. Seeds mostly **longitudinal**, (6–) 7–9 mm long, (4–) 5.5–6.5 mm long, flattened, black, minutely **verruculose**/pitted, partially to wholly encircled by red **funicle**; **aril clavate**.

Habitat

Grows in low scrub or heath (often with *A. rostellifera* or *A. ligulata*) in unconsolidated light greyish brown calcareous sand, on low dunes and dune swales.

Specimens

W.A.: 25 km N of Tamala, *H.Demarz 8584* (PERTH); Tamala Stn, *B.R.Maslin 3696B* (PERTH).

Notes

A member of the '*A. microbotrya* group' most closely related to *A. daphnifolia*.

FOA Reference

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