

WATTLE

Acacias of Australia

Acacia aprica Maslin & A.R.Chapm.



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Acacia aprica occurrence map.
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Family

Fabaceae

Distribution

Restricted to a small area near Coorow, south-western W.A.

Description

Shrub to 2 m high, *diffuse*, open. *Branchlets* slightly *flexuose*, densely silvery-*sericeous* between the often *resinous* ribs. Phyllodes \pm *sessile*, moderately to strongly *incurved*, *terete* to subquadrangular, 5-11 (-14) cm long, 1-1.5 mm wide, rather stout, dull, green to grey-green, silvery *sericeous* when young, commonly *glabrous* at maturity, 8-nerved; nerves broad, flat-topped and each separated by a shallow dark-coloured furrow. Inflorescences *simple*, 1 or 2 per *axil*; heads *sessile* to subsessile, subglobular to *obloid*, 40-55-flowered, 7-10 mm long, 7-8 mm diam., golden; peduncles to 2 mm long; bracteoles *acute*. Flowers 4-*merous*; sepals c. 1/2-united. Pods *linear*, to 6 cm long, c. 2 mm wide, thinly *crustaceous*, *sericeous*; margins broad and *glabrous*. Seeds *longitudinal*, *oblong-elliptic*, 2.5-3 mm long, glossy, pale brown *mottled* yellow; *aril* small.

Habitat

Grows in gravelly brown sand or loam in heath.

Specimens

W.A.: near Coorow, July 1962, *L.C.Chapman s.n.* (BRI, PERTH).

Notes

Related to *A. arcuatis* (which has generally shorter phyllodes and fewer-flowered heads) and *A. lirellata* subsp. *lirellata* (which has decurrent, deeply furrowed phyllodes). Also related to *A. filifolia* which is distinguished by its wispy, slightly taller stature and longer, generally thinner phyllodes.

FOA Reference

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