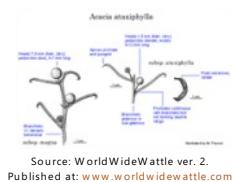


WATTLE

Acacias of Australia

Acacia ataxiphylla Benth. subsp. *ataxiphylla*



Family

Fabaceae

Distribution

Occurs from Darkan S to Albany.

Description

Prostrate sprawling subshrub 0.2 m high and to 0.5 m across. **Branchlets** sparsely antrorsely **puberulous** or **glabrous**. Phyllodes rather slender, (15–) 20–35 (–50) mm long, 1–1.7 mm wide. Peduncles (6.5–) 8–12 (–18) mm long, slender, 0.4 mm diam. (when dry), antrorsely **puberulous**; heads c. 5 mm diam. (when dry), 15–20-flowered; bracteoles 1–1.5 mm long. **Calyx** 1/3–1/2 length of **corolla**; petals c. 2 mm long, with **midrib** normally thick and prominent at **petal apices**.

Habitat

Grows in clay loam or sand, with some gravel, in *Eucalyptus* woodland.

Specimens

W.A.: near Cranbrook, 86.5 km N of Albany, Dec. 1927, W.E.Blackall s.n. (PERTH); 150 mile peg on Albany Hwy [near Arthur R.], B.R.Maslin 2614 (CANB, PERTH).

Notes

Sometimes resembling *A. laricina* var. *laricina* which is distinguished by its calyx lobes and bracteoles which are not long-acuminate and heads 20–30-flowered.

FOA Reference

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