

# WATTLE

## *Acacias of Australia*

### *Acacia cummingiana* Maslin



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*Acacia cummingiana* occurrence map.  
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#### Family

Fabaceae

#### Distribution

Restricted to a small area from Watheroo Natl Park (c. 40–60 km NW of Moora) S to Wannamal (c. 25 km due NE of Gingin), south-western W.A.

#### Description

Sprawling straggly rush-like subshrub to 0.4 m high. Branches **terete, striate**, green except for the yellow ribs, **glabrous**. Phyllodes reduced to **continuous**, thin, horizontally flattened, **narrowly oblong** to narrowly **triangular** scales 1.5–4 mm long. Inflorescences **simple**, 1 or 2 in axils of scales; peduncles 4–15 mm long, **glabrous**; heads **globular**, c. 8 mm diam. (when dry), somewhat loosely 8–12-flowered, bright light golden; buds **obovate-apiculate**, 2 mm wide. Flowers 4-**merous**; sepals 1/2–2/3-united, c. 1/2 length of petals; petals **flabellate-striate**. Pods 4–7 cm long, 8–10 mm wide, **stipitate, acuminate, coriaceous-crustaceous**, shallowly **curved**, acutely **quadrangular** by flat winged margins 3–4 mm wide, **glabrous**. Seeds presumably **oblique, oblong-elliptic**, 5.5 mm long; **aril** terminal, conical.

#### Habitat

Grows in sand or lateritic gravel, in closed heath or low open woodland (of *Banksia prionotes* and *Eucalyptus todtiana*) over heath.

#### Specimens

W.A.: NE of Badgingarra, *T.E.H.Aplin 3150* (CANB, PERTH); 4 km from Brand Hwy on West Wannamal Rd, *R.J.Cumming 715* (K, PERTH).

#### Notes

Until now this species was confounded with *A. volubilis* (fide B.R.Maslin, *Nuytsia* 10: 176 (1995)). It is most closely related to *A. tetragonocarpa* and *A. aemula* and specimens with short peduncles can be mistaken for *A. carens*.

#### FOA Reference

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