

# WATTLE

## *Acacias of Australia*

### *Acacia dealbata* Link subsp. *dealbata*



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

### Common Name

Silver Wattle or Mimosa

### Family

Fabaceae

### Distribution

Extends along the Great Dividing Ra. from Ben Lomond Ra., northern N.S.W., to the Grampians, Vic, usually from 350–1000 m alt., common in Tas. Occasionally naturalised in south-western W.A., and in the Adelaide Hills (Southern Lofty region) and around Penola, *vide* D.J.E. Whibley & D.E. Symon, *Acacias S. Australia* 2nd edn, 305 (1992).

### Description

**Shrub** or spreading **tree** to 30 m high. Leaves (3–) 5–12 (–17) cm long, slightly to very **glaucous** or sometimes nonglaucous; **pinnae** 10–26 (–30) pairs, mostly 1.5–5.5 cm long; pinnules (14–) 20–68 pairs, 1.5–5 (–6) mm long. Heads 22–42-flowered, yellow. Pods to 11.5 cm long.

### Phenology

Flowers Aug.–Oct.; fruits Nov.–Jan., sometimes to Mar.

### Habitat

Grows in open forest or woodland or tall open forest, on high plateaux or in deep gullies.

### Specimens

S.A.: Crafers, Mt Lofty Ra., *E.S. Booth 176* (AD, NSW). N.S.W.: 32.2 km N of Guyra, Ben Lomond Ra., *J.S. Beard 936* (NSW); Bowral–Robertson road, 6 Sept. 1960, *M.D. Tindale s.n.* (NSW). A.C.T.: along Brindabella road near Cotter Dam, *R.D. Hoogland 8555* (CANB, NSW). Vic.: Mt Langi Ghiran, E of Ararat, *M.G. Corrick 7453* (MEL, NSW); on road to Lake Mtn near Alpine Reserve, *D.B. Foreman 1045* (MEL, NSW). Tas.: Dee Lagoon, *K. Hill 1502*, *L.A.S. Johnson & D. Blaxell* (NSW).

### Notes

Information on the biological and ecological features, and the utilisation potential, of this subspecies is given in B.R.Maslin and M.W.McDonald, pp. 60–67, *AcaciaSearch: Evaluation of Acacia as a woody crop option for southern Australia*, RIRDC Publication No. 03/017 (2004).

#### FOA Reference

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