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## Acacias of Australia

### *Acacia glaucocarpa* Maiden & Blakely



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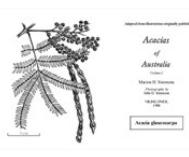
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Acacia glaucocarpa occurrence map.  
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### Family

Fabaceae

### Distribution

Occurs in south-eastern Qld from c. 82 km W of Emerald S to near the N.S.W. border, common near Kingaroy and Ipswich.

### Description

Shrub or tree 2.5–10 m high. Bark slightly fissured, grey or grey-brown, mottled, later rough at base. Branchlets terete, faintly ridged, ±glabrescent, tomentose towards apices. Young foliage-tips ferruginous, densely fawn- or grey-tomentose. Leaves blue-green, ±glaucous; petiole 1–3 cm long, bearing 1 tomentose orbicular gland ±close to basal pair of pinnae; rachis (1.5–) 3–10 cm long, with 1 similar gland at or near base of all or some pinnae, occasionally eglandular; pinnae (2–) 3–8 pairs, 3.5–11 cm long; pinnules 12–33 pairs, cultrate to narrowly oblong, narrowly elliptic or ±lanceolate, 5–14 mm long, 2–4 mm wide, with midnerve closer to straight upper margin, and 1 or 2 shorter nerves (not reaching margin) between midnerve and convex lower margin, glabrous or with sparse, long, white or fawn hairs on upper surface, subglabrous or with ±dense white or fawn crisped hairs beneath, obtuse or subacute. Inflorescences in terminal or axillary false-panicles; peduncles 3–6 mm long. Heads globular, 15–30-flowered, pale yellow or cream-coloured. Pods ±straight-sided, 5–13 cm long, 6.5–10 mm wide, subcoriaceous, blue-green or blue-black, ±pruinose, sparsely fawn-puberulous.

### Phenology

Flowers Feb.–July; fruits Sept.–Dec., July.

### Habitat

Grows in open forest or woodland or mixed scrub woodland, on sandstone or sedimentary rocks, often in deep soils.

### Specimens

Qld: Eidsvold, Mar., Aug. & Nov. 1918, T.L.Bancroft (NSW); W edge of Carnarvon Gorge Natl Park, D.F.Blaxell 1536 & J.Armstrong (BRI, NSW); 14.5 km NNW of Murgon, L.A.S.Johnson 7081 & B.G.Briggs (BRI, K, NSW, US); Planet Ck, c. 30 miles [48.3 km] NE of Rolleston Township, R.Story 303 & G.A.Yapp (CANB, NSW); 4 miles [6.4 km] S of Murgon, M.D.Tindale s.n. (NSW52679).

## Notes

Cultivated in gardens and parks of inland tropical and subtropical areas, being moderately drought resistant but sensitive to frost.

Allied to *A. polybotrya* which is a shrub to 3 m high, flowering in July-Oct., with golden heads, (1-) 2–4 pairs of pinnae, 4–12 pairs of pinnules, moniliform pods and differently shaped funicle. The pinnules of *A. glaucocarpa* are more pubescent and more acute than in *A. pruinosa* which also occurs in south-eastern Qld. *Acacia glaucocarpa* possibly hybridizes with *Acacia deanei* subsp. *deanei* in the Barakula State Forest, Qld.

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