

WATTLE

Acacias of Australia

Acacia incurva Benth.



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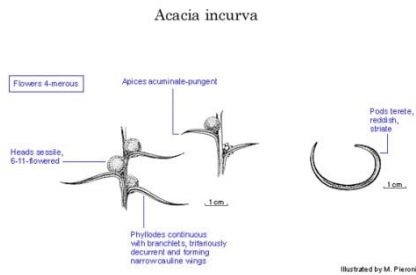
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Acacia incurva occurrence map.
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Family

Fabaceae

Distribution

Occurs from Perth to Bridgetown, and Albany to Denmark, south-western W.A.

Description

Erect multistemmed subshrub 0.2–0.4 m high, sometimes **procumbent**. Stems angled, **glabrous** to sparsely **appressed-puberulous**, \pm **tomentulose** in **phyllode** axils, slightly **scabridulous**. **Stipules** 1–3 mm long. **Phyllodes** **continuous** with **branchlets**, trifariously **decurrent** and forming very narrow wings to 1 mm wide; free portion of phyllodes **linear** to **linear-lanceolate**, commonly **patent** and shallowly **incurved**, sometimes **straight** or **recurved**, 10–50 mm long, 1–2 mm wide, **acuminate**, **pungent**, **rigid**, with **indumentum** as on **branchlets**; **midrib** prominent; **gland** not prominent, 1–6 mm above base. **Inflorescences** **simple**; heads **sessile**, **globular**, 6–11-flowered, bright yellow. **Flowers** 4-**merous**; sepals united, 1/4–1/3 length of petals, dark brown; petals obscurely 1-nerved. **Pods** **terete**, to c. 7 cm long, 2–3 mm diam., **crustaceous**, reddish, longitudinally nerved, **appressed-puberulous**, **recurved** upon **dehiscence**. **Seeds** not seen.

Habitat

Grows in sand or clay loam, in swamps or winter-wet areas, in open woodland.

Specimens

W.A.: 7 km SE of Yornup, *G.J.Keighery 3991* (PERTH); Yoongarillup, between Busselton and Nannup, *G.J.Keighery 7797* (PERTH); 24 km W of Denmark, *B.R.Maslin 2942* (CANB, PERTH); In arenosis apertis inter frutices densos haud longe a villa col. Erwin [Middle Swan, Perth], *L.Preiss 990* (C, CGE—sphalm. '244', FI, G, GOET, HBG, K, L, LUND, M, MO, NAP, NY, P, STR, TCD—sphalm. '244', W).

Notes

Specimens with the shortest phyllodes, including the type of *A. brachyptera*, occur in the Albany to Denmark area. Herbarium specimens can be confused with short phyllode forms of *A. trigonophylla* which are distinguished by their taller stature, pedunculate 28–32-flowered heads, 5-merous flowers and submoniliform pods.

FOA Reference

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