

# WATTLE

## *Acacias of Australia*

### *Acacia menzeli* J.M.Black



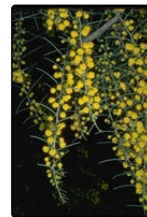
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Acacia menzeli occurrence map.  
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### Common Name

Menzel's Wattle

### Family

Fabaceae

### Distribution

Discontinuous from Mt Hack, North Flinders Ra., S to Murray Bridge, S.A. The N.S.W. record of *A. menzeli* by G.M.Cunningham *et al.*, *Pl. W New South Wales* (1981: 366), is based on a misidentification of a specimen (*G.M.Cunningham & P.L.Milthorpe 2729*, NSW, PERTH) which represents a taxon of uncertain status but perhaps is a hybrid involving *A. montana*.

### Description

Shrub to 2 m high, compact, rounded, spreading, resinous, viscid. Branchlets sparsely appressed-puberulous. Phyllodes terete to flat and linear, straight or incurved, 1.5–4 cm long, 0.5–1 (–1.5) mm wide, obliquely rounded-truncate with an excentric blunt point, green, glabrous, 6-nerved in all, 2-nerved per face when flat; nerves brownish, impressed, viscid; gland obscure, 0.5–2 mm above pulvinus. Inflorescences simple, 1 or 2 per axil; peduncles 3–8 mm long, glabrous; basal bract persistent; heads globular, 20–27-flowered, golden. Flowers 5-merous; sepals ±free to 1/2-united. Pods linear, scarcely constricted between seeds, ±straight, biconvex, to 5 cm long, 2–3 mm wide, thinly coriaceous-chartaceous, glabrous. Seeds longitudinal, oblong, c. 4 mm long; aril fleshy.

### Habitat

Grows in calcareous loamy earths in open *Eucalyptus* scrub.

### Specimens

S.A.: c. 1 km NE of Monarto, *P.Lang 8424* (AD); 16 km E of Brachina, *N.N.Donner 145* (AD); 2.5 km due NE of Mt Hack summit, *M.O'Leary 2008* (AD, PERTH); 13.9 km W of Melrose, *L.D.Williams 12702* (AD).

### Notes

*D.J.E.Whibley 5993* (AD) from the Lofty Ra. is unusual in having phyllodes c. 1.5 mm wide.

A member of the '*A. wilhelmiana* group' which can be confused with narrow phyllode forms of *A. wilhelmiana* which has the peduncles densely golden appressed-puberulous.

### FOA Reference

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