

# WATTLE

## *Acacias of Australia*

### *Acacia pendula* A.Cunn. ex G.Don



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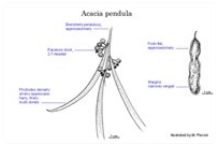
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Acacia pendula occurrence map.  
Occurrence map generated via Atlas of Living Australia (<https://www.ala.org.au>).

### Common Name

Weeping Myall, Myall, Boree, Balaar, Nilyah, Silver-leaf Boree, True Myall

### Family

Fabaceae

### Distribution

Occurs W of the Great Divide from Emerald in central Qld S through N.S.W. to the Vic. border, with isolated occurrences in the Little Desert area, western Vic., and far eastern S.A.

### Description

Tree to 12 m high with pendulous branches. Bark hard, fissured, dark grey to black. Branchlets slender, appressed-puberulous, glabrescent. Phyllodes narrowly elliptic, straight to recurved, 4–14 cm long, (3–) 4–10 mm wide, with an innocuous acute to acuminate and normally shallowly curved apex, ±thinly coriaceous, densely appressed-puberulous when young, glabrescent, with numerous closely parallel nerves of which 1–3 more evident than the rest. Inflorescences 2–7-headed racemes; raceme axes 2–15 mm long, appressed-puberulous; peduncles 3–8 mm long, appressed-puberulous; heads globular, 3.5–4.5 mm diam., occasionally larger, 10–25-flowered, light golden; bracteoles spatulate. Flowers 5-merous; sepals free to 1/2-united. Pods narrowly oblong, flat, slightly raised over and irregularly slightly constricted between seeds, straight, curved or twisted, to 13 cm long, 8–18 (–20) mm wide, chartaceous to thinly coriaceous, coarsely reticulate, appressed-puberulous; margins ±winged, 2–3 mm wide. Seeds transverse, soft, broadly elliptic to ±discooid, 5–9 mm long; funicle/aril fleshy.

### Habitat

Grows mainly on floodplains in fertile alluvial clay (and red earth soils in the S), sometimes dominant in woodland and open woodland.

### Specimens

S.A.: 20 km SE of Plumbago Stn, R.J.Bates 41688 (AD). Qld: Augathella–Morven road, J. & M.Simmons 1110 (PERTH); 11.3 km NW of Myall Downs, N.H.Speck 1980 (NSW, PERTH). N.S.W.: 76.3 km NE of Conargo between Hay and Darlington Pt, R.G.Coveny 12891 et al. (AD, BRI, CANB, MEL, NSW, PERTH, PRE, US); 47.1 km from Grenfell towards West Wyalong, N.Hall H79/66 (PERTH, TLF). Vic.: c. 8 km from Warracknabeal, near the Henty Hwy and opposite the aerodrome, H.B.Irwin (MEL1500972).

### Notes

Because of the pale, silvery foliage and form of the crown of the tree, it has been cultivated extensively in this country and abroad, as, for example, in Iran and Kuwait.

Related to *A. homalophylla* which has narrower, unwinged pods, glabrous phyllodes and longitudinal seeds.

### FOA Reference

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