

# WATTLE

## *Acacias of Australia*

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



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Acacia prominens occurrence map.  
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### Common Name

Gosford Wattle, Golden Rain Wattle, Grey Sally and others

### Family

Fabaceae

### Distribution

Confined to creek banks and forests of near coastal areas from Gosford to near Singleton, N.S.W.

### Description

**Dense shrub** or **tree** 5–9 m high, sometimes 20–25 m high. **Branchlets** slender, angled at extremities, **glabrous**. Phyllodes narrowly **elliptic** to **narrowly oblong-elliptic**, 2.5–6 cm long, 4–12 mm wide, l:w = 4–9, normally **obtuse-mucronulate** to subacute, thin, grey-green to **glaucous**, **glabrous** except **pulvinus** sparsely hairy, 1-nerved per face, finely **penninerved**; **gland** prominent, normally **exserted**, (3–) 5–20 mm above **pulvinus**. Inflorescences **racemose**; **raceme axes** 1.5–8 cm long, slender, **glabrous**; peduncles 3–7 mm long, slender, **glabrous**; heads showy, **globular**, 7–16-flowered, pale yellow to lemon yellow. Flowers 5-**merous**; sepals united; **ovary** **glabrous**. Pods **stipitate**, to 10 cm long, (8–) 9–13 mm wide, firmly **chartaceous**, **pruinose**, **glabrous**. Seeds **longitudinal** to **oblique**, **oblong** to **elliptic**, 5–6 mm long, ±shiny, black; **aril clavate**.

### Specimens

N.S.W.: Darkey Ck, Putty–Singleton road, 9 Sept. 1948, *E.F.Constable s.n.* (NSW, MO); Oatley, Aug. 1888, *J.H.Maiden* (NSW); Narara, West Gosford, 18 Jan. 1906, *A.Murphy s.n.* (NSW).

### Notes

Confusion surrounding the name *A. prominens*, *A. fimbriata* and *A. linifolia* was discussed by J.H.Maiden, *Forest Fl. New South Wales* 5: 29–34 (1911), and V.S.Summerhayes, *Bot. Mag.* 155: t. 9256 (1931). The description of *A. prominens* in G. Bentham, *Fl. Austral.* 2: 371 (1864) included elements of *A. fimbriata*.

Related to *A. kettlewelliae* which is distinguished especially by its generally longer or narrower phyllodes (l:w normally 8–13), glands submerged within the lamina and shorter peduncles. Also related to *A. covenyi*.

### FOA Reference

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