

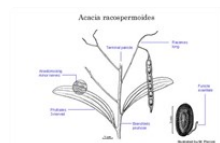
# WATTLE

## *Acacias of Australia*

### *Acacia racospermoides* Pedley



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*Acacia racospermoides* occurrence map.  
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### Family

Fabaceae

### Distribution

Near coastal areas from Bathurst Bay S to near Cooktown with disjunct occurrences near Cairns and on Hinchinbrook Is., Qld.

### Description

Spindly **shrub** or slender **tree** 2–6 m high. Bark white. **Branchlets** slightly angular, **pruinose**, **glabrous**. Phyllodes **narrowly oblong-elliptic**, shallowly to moderately **falcate**, sometimes **straight-dimidiolate**, (5–) 6–10 (–15) cm long, 1–2 (–2.5) cm wide, **obtusely apiculate**, thinly **coriaceous**, **glabrous**, with 3 prominent main **longitudinal** nerves (lowermost often **confluent** with lower margin at extreme base), openly **reticulate** between main nerves; **gland** to 4 mm above **pulvinus**. Inflorescences terminal panicles; **raceme axes** 5–17 (–25) cm long, **glabrous**; peduncles 7–12 mm long; heads **geminately**, one maturing before the other, **globular**, 25–30-flowered, deep yellow. Flowers **5-merous**; sepals free. Pods **linear**, raised over but not constricted between seeds, **straight** or **curved**, to 10 cm long, 6–9 mm wide, thin-**coriaceous**, **glabrous**; margins narrowly winged. Seeds **longitudinal**, broadly **elliptic**, ±5 mm long, dull, dark brown, **exarillate**.

### Habitat

Grows in sand in heath and open forest.

### Specimens

Qld: Archer Point, 16 km SSE of Cooktown, *J.Moriarty 1050* (PERTH).

### Notes

Has been confused with *A. homaloclada*, a species readily distinguished by its non-paniculate inflorescences and arillate seeds; both species occur on Hinchinbrook Is., Qld, but are allopatric, *vide* L.Pedley, *Austrobaileya* 2: 324–325 (1987).

### FOA Reference

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