

# WATTLE

## *Acacias of Australia*

*Acacia* sp. Kalannie North East (B.R.Maslin 7519) WA Herbarium

### Family

Fabaceae

### Distribution

Locally abundant but known from a few populations near Kalannie in the north-central wheatbelt region of south-western W.A.

### Description

Spreading, multistemmed **shrub** 0.7–1.7 m high, crown **dense**. **Branchlets** minutely hairy near base of phyllodes. Phyllodes **erect**, shallowly **incurved**, **terete**, 2.5–5 cm long, 0.7–1 mm wide, short-**acuminate** with dark brown, **innocuous** or somewhat **pungent** point, subrigid, **glabrous** (except hairy on upper surface of **pulvinus** and extreme base of **lamina**); multistriate with numerous, very fine, close nerves. Inflorescences **simple**; peduncles 2–3 mm long, **puberulous** (hairs obscured by resin); heads **globular** to slightly **obloid**, 16–18-flowered. Flowers 5-**merous**; sepals free to variably united. Pods **moniliform** to submoniliform, readily breaking into 1- or few-seeded articles at constrictions, 3.5–6 cm long, 1.8–2.2 mm wide, **chartaceous** to very thinly **crustaceous**, yellow-brownish, **glabrous**. Seeds **longitudinal**, **oblong-elliptic**, 2.5–3 mm long, dark brown to blackish; **aril** terminal and creamy white.

### Habitat

Grows on hard brown granitic clay-loam beneath mallee eucalypts (*Eucalyptus subangusta* and *E. celastroides*) and *Melaleuca uncinata*.

### Specimens

W.A.: NE of Kalannie [precise localities withheld for conservation reasons], Sept. 1997, *E.Hudson s.n.*(PERTH) and *B.R.Maslin 7519* (PERTH).

### Notes

The taxonomic status of this poorly known and apparently rare taxon requires further study; it appears to have some affinities with *A. rigens*.

### FOA Reference

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