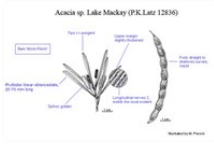


# WATTLE

## *Acacias of Australia*

### *Acacia* sp. Lake Mackay (P.K.Latz 12836) NT Herbarium



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See illustration.

#### Family

Fabaceae

#### Distribution

Occurs in the Great Sandy Desert–Lake Mackay region of central Australia, in W.A. and N.T.

#### Description

Spreading **shrub** to 3 m high. Bark 'Minni Ritchi', red-brown. **Branchlets** angular towards apices, finely ribbed, with spreading hairs. Phyllodes narrowly **oblanceolate** or sometimes **linear**, 2–7 cm long, 1.5–3 mm wide, **pungent** by a fine point, **coriaceous**, **viscid**, sparsely to moderately spreading-hairy on nerves and margins; 3-nerved with a prominent **midrib** and a minor nerves on either side, the upper margin broader than lower margin; **gland** inconspicuous. Spikes 10–35 mm long. Flowers 5-**merous**. Pods **narrowly oblong** to **linear**, **straight** to (shallowly) **curved**,  $\pm$ flat, 3–11 cm long, 5–8 mm wide, **viscid**, with moderately **dense**, spreading hairs, finely reticulately nerved.

#### Phenology

Flowers July.

#### Habitat

Grows on the crests of aeolian sand dunes in red sands.

#### Specimens

W.A.: between Gary Junction and Sandy Blight Junction, *J.S.Beard* 4910 (PERTH); 53 miles [84.8 km] E of Jupiter Well, *A.S.George* 9061 (CNRS, MEL, PERTH, TLF). N.T.: SSE of L Mackay, *P.K.Latz* 12836 (CANB, DNA, K, NSW, NT, PERTH); Lake Mackay on island on SE edge of lake, *P.K.Latz* 12853 (AD, BRI, DNA, K, NT, PERTH).

#### Notes

Further study is required to assess the taxonomic status of this entity that was noted by M.W.McDonald, *Fl. Australia* 11B: 212 (2001), as an undescribed variant of *A. trachycarpa*. It differs from the more westerly distributed *A. trachycarpa* mainly by its more pungent, often narrowly oblanceolate phyllodes, straight or generally less obviously curved pods and its sand dune habitat.

#### FOA Reference

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