

# WATTLE

## Acacias of Australia

### *Acacia uncinata* Lindl.



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Acacia uncinata occurrence map.  
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### Common Name

Round-leaved Wattle, Gold-dust Wattle

### Family

Fabaceae

### Distribution

Apparently confined to the north-east of Mt Kaputar Natl Park, in the Waa Gorge to Terry Hie Hie and Rocky Ck areas of N.S.W.

### Description

Openly branched, often spindly **shrub** to 1.5 (–2.5) m high. **Branchlets erect, terete** to slightly ribbed, densely hairy. Phyllodes with **lamina** mostly vertical or sometimes rotated to 45° (–90°) from **plane** of branchlet, flat or slightly distally twisted, **elliptic** to broadly **elliptic**, sometimes broadly **obovate**, (17–) 20–30 (–45) mm long, 10–12 (–23) mm wide, l:w = (1.6–) 2–2.3, dull, grey-green, clothed with spreading or bent hairs; base slightly **asymmetric** and **acute**; margin **undulate**; apex **acute** to **obtusate** and **acuminate** or **mucronate**; **gland** usually inserted 3–5 mm above **pulvinus**. Inflorescences with **inclined** peduncles, 8–16 (–20) mm long, about as long as floral phyllodes, sparsely hairy; heads 6–9 mm diam., 14–23-flowered, pale yellow. Corolla lobes with few to many long hairs. Pods **oblong**, flat to somewhat **undulate**, mostly **curved**, 35–65 mm long, (12–) 14–20 mm wide, firmly **coriaceous**, dull, light to dark brown, often slightly **pruinose**.

### Habitat

Occurs on sandy loam or rocky areas in *Eucalyptus* and *Callitris* woodlands.

### Specimens

N.S.W.: Inverell to Tingha, *R.H.Cambage 944* (NSW); Waa Gorge, *R.G.Coveny 8973 & S.K.Roy* (NSW); Rocky Ck, Narrabri to Bingara road, *G.J.Harden 6* (NSW); Terrergee [between Moree & Terry Hie Hie], *E.H.F.Swain 15* (NSW); Rocky Ck 'Glacial Area', *T.M.Tame 4164* (NSW).

### Notes

This species is readily recognised in the field by its open, erect habit and densely yellowish to deep yellow (golden) hairy shoots and usually large and frequently obovate phyllodes, and pale yellow inflorescences which often lack floral phyllodes. Branchlet hairs are patent to antrorse, 0.4–0.5 mm long, whitish to fawn-coloured (yellowish to deep yellow on young shoots). Inflorescence hairs are patent to inclined and straight.

A recent revision by B.J.Conn and T.M.Tame, *Austral. Syst. Bot.* 9: 827–857 (1996) recognises seven species as comprising the 'A. uncinata group', namely, *A. aureocrinita*, *A. claudullensis*, *A. cremiflora*, *A. piligera*, *A. sertiformis*, *A. uncinata* and *A. undulifolia*.

### FOA Reference

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