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Acacias of Australia

Acacia unguicula R.S.Cowan & Maslin



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Acacia unguicula occurrence map.
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Australia (<https://www.ala.org.au>).

Family

Fabaceae

Distribution

Known only from Ninghan Stn, between Wubin and Paynes Find in south-western W.A.

Description

Shrub 1–2 m or **tree** to 3 m high. **Branchlets** slightly ribbed, **glabrous** except **appressed-puberulous** in axils. **Stipules** **persistent**, **spinose**, \pm **recurved**, 0.5–1.2 mm long. **Phyllodes** **erect**, **narrowly oblong** to **oblong-oblanceolate** or **elliptic**, **straight** or slightly **curved**, 2–4 cm long, 3–4 mm wide, **acute**, **pungent**, **rigid**, olive-green, **glabrous**, with 14–16 **distant** strongly raised yellowish nerves; internerve region green and bearing **stomata**; glands 1 or 2. **Inflorescences** **simple**, 2 per **axil**; peduncles 7–11 mm long, **glabrous**; heads **globular**, 5–6 mm diam., 24–34-flowered, deep golden. Flowers **5-merous**; sepals free. Pods (immature) **linear**, to 6 cm long, 2 mm wide, slightly **appressed-puberulous**. Seeds not seen.

Habitat

Grows in rocky clay or loam in open scrub.

Specimens

W.A.: type locality, *B.R.Maslin 4240* (CANB, K, MEL, PERTH).

Notes

Related to *A. lineolata* subsp. *multilineata* and *A. patagiata* but differing in its persistent, spinose stipules and very strongly raised nerves. Also similar to *A. formidabilis*.

FOA Reference

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