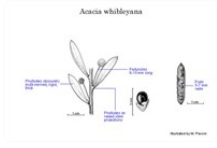


# WATTLE

## Acacias of Australia

### *Acacia whibleyana* R.S.Cowan & Maslin



Source: WorldWideWattle ver. 2.  
Published at: [www.worldwidewattle.com](http://www.worldwidewattle.com)  
See illustration.



Acacia whibleyana occurrence map.  
Occurrence map generated via Atlas of Living  
Australia (<https://www.ala.org.au>).

### Common Name

Whibley Wattle

### Family

Fabaceae

### Distribution

Restricted to near-coastal areas S of Tumby Bay on the Eyre Peninsula, S.A. It is currently known from around 300 plants growing on road verges in a very localised area.

### Description

Spreading **shrub** 1–2.5 m high. **Branchlets glabrous** with prominent raised **phyllode**-scars. Phyllodes **ascending, elliptic to oblanceolate, ±asymmetrical, straight**, occasionally slightly **curved**, 0.9–3 cm long, 2.5–8 mm wide, 2–4.5 times longer than wide, with **curved to rostriform** (occasionally **straight**) **apiculate** tip, **rigid, thick, glabrous**, with numerous closely parallel, immersed nerves; **gland 1**, near base. Inflorescences **simple**, 2 per **axil**; peduncles 6–15 mm long, **glabrous**; heads **globular**, 2.5–5 mm diam., 18–19-flowered, golden. Flowers **5-merous**; sepals and petals free. Pods **narrowly oblong**, slightly raised over but not constricted between seeds, scarcely **undulate, straight to curved**, sometimes **circinnate**, to 4.5 cm long, 5–7 mm wide, **coriaceous, glabrous**. Seeds **oblique**, broadly **elliptic**, 2.5–3 mm long, subglossy, dark brown-black; **aril** large, terminal.

### Habitat

Grows on limestone and loam, sometimes near salt swamps.

### Specimens

S.A.: S of Tumby Bay, *B.Copley 4916* (AD).

### Notes

A member of the '*A. ancistrophylla* group', most closely related to the more widespread *A. ancistrophylla*, which typically has branchlets lacking raised phyllode-scars, shorter peduncles, narrower pods and seeds longitudinal in the pods. Also similar to *A. amyctica*.

### FOA Reference

Data derived from *Flora of Australia* Volumes 11A (2001), 11B (2001) and 12 (1998), products of ABRS, ©Commonwealth of Australia

### Author

Minor edits by J.Reid

R.S.Cowan

This identification key and fact sheets are available as a mobile application:



Australian Government  
Department of the Environment and Energy



Department of  
Biodiversity, Conservation  
and Attractions  
Western Australian Herbarium



Australian  
Biological  
Resources  
Study



URL: <https://keys.lucidcentral.org/keys/v3/wattle>  
Copyright 2018. All rights reserved.