

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



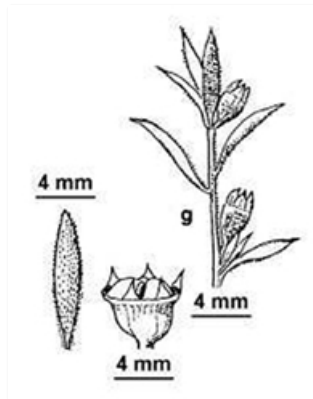
Flowering branch. Photographer Donald Hobern, Canberra, ACT



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Line drawings. g. branchlet, leaf, nut. S.M. Clarke, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Silver tea-tree

Family

Myrtaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland** and grassy areas, often along seepage lines. Western Slopes, ACT and nearby, and tablelands. Occasionally in the ranges.

Notes

Shrub, **prostrate** to sprawling or to 2 m tall. Bark rough and tending to shed loose fibres. Bark on smaller stems smooth, shedding in stringy strips. Younger stems hairy, occasionally hairless. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, **alternating** up the stems, 0.2-1 cm long, 1-3 mm wide, flat or concave in cross section, surfaces usually **silky** in part; tips pointed, with a short point tending to curve down; bases tapering into a short very broad stalk. Flowers usually 6-10 mm in diameter, with 5 white, occasionally pink, **petals**, single, occasionally 2 together. Flowers Spring. Nuts shed early, about 2-3.5 mm in diameter, surface silky.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

Vulnerable Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Leptospermum-multicaule> (accessed 25 January, 2021)

Additional information in: Thompson, J. (8 December 1989), A revision of the genus *Leptospermum* (Myrtaceae). *Telopea* 3(3): 385-386, map 5-37

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