

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Rogier de Kok, Deua National Park



Flowering stem. Photographer Don Wood, near Ivruya



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra ACT

Common name

Large bronze bush-pea, Larger bronze bush-pea

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Wet to dry **forest**, **woodland**, and **heath**. Coast and ranges north of Tathra.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m tall. Stems sparsely to moderately hairy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 0.3-1.5 cm long, 1-7 mm wide, tips blunt, margins curved upwards; both surfaces the same colour. Flowers 10-15 mm long, pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, **standard** petal yellow to orange, **wings** yellow to (reddish) orange, sometimes with orange to red-brown stripes at the front, keel yellow to orange. **Bracteoles** with 3 teeth at the tips, papery, inserted on the **calyx** tube. Flowers in leafy clusters. Flowers Winter to Summer. Pods with a tuft of hairs at the tips.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lv=sp&name=Pultenaea-ferruginea> (accessed 3 February, 2021)

Description partly taken from: Kok, R.P.J. de & West, J.G., (2002) A revision of *Pultenaea* (Fabaceae) 1. Species with **ovaries** hairless and/or with tufted hairs. *Australian Systematic Botany* 15(1): 91-92, Fig. 4 (map)

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