

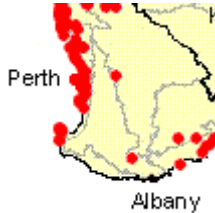
Acacia rostelifera

Commonly: Summer Scented Wattle

Vascular Plant Family: Fabaceae

Flowers winter and spring

Acacia rostelifera is a tree or tall shrub but occasionally a small tree up to 6m tall with a smooth bark above and rough below. The young branches are angular. It occurs in coastal heath. The plants at Peppermint Grove Beach have been planted.

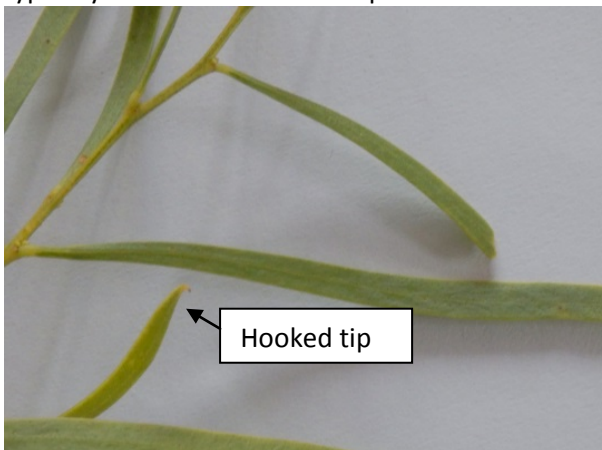


The map indicates there is a break in its distribution as it is not recorded from Bunbury but does occur at Yalingup.



This photograph was taken at Wave Walk car park where several of these shrubs have been planted.

The phyllodes (modified leaves) are linear up to 100mm long and 15mm wide, with a typically obvious hook at the tip.



The inflorescence is 3-9 headed and axillary in the axils of the phyllode.



There are typically up to 25 flowers in each of the head. Each head can be up to 7mm across. The detail of each flower is not obvious. The calyx is 5-lobed but it is the stamens which give the flower its bright yellow colour.

The pods are brownish, linear and up to 90mm long and 7mm wide. They have a thicker pale margin and constriction between the seeds.