

Spreading Emu Bush

Eremophila divaricata subsp. *divaricata*

When to look:

Flowering usually occurs
Septmeber - April

Similar species:

The Spotted Emu Bush (*E. maculata*) is a similar species with larger leaves that are darker in colour.

It also has flowers that are tube-shaped with spots near the throat or none at all. The flowers are also more variable in colour than *E. divaricata* (red, yellow or purple flowers).

Spreading shrub with stiff, tangled branches often ending in sharp spines. Can grow 1.5m tall and 2m wide.



Flowers are lilac in colour. They grow alone from the base of the leaves. Flowers are bell-shaped with 5 lobes.

Fruits are ovid, less than 1cm in length and are made up of 4 chambers.

Leaves are smooth and green in colour. alternate along branches, erect and obong shaped. Generally 5-20mm.

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