

Calothamnus quadrifidus
Commonly: One-sided Bottlebrush
Vascular Plant Family: Myrtaceae

Flowers late winter to spring

Calothamnus quadrifidus is a shrub up to 2m tall. It is recorded along the coastal regions but has been planted at the Wave Walk Car Park. It has not been recorded occurring naturally at Peppermint Grove Beach.



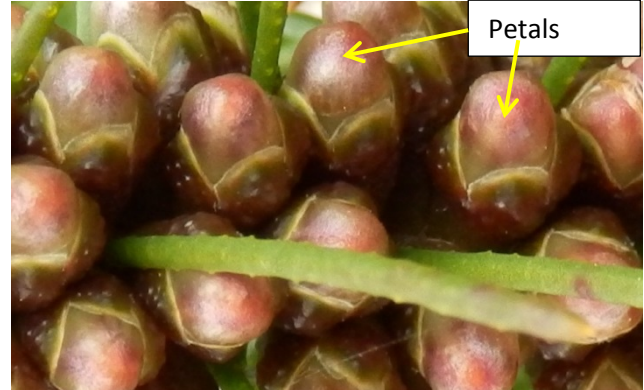
The leaves are dense and needle-like up to 3cm long and 1mm wide. The pale coloured dots seen on the leaves are oil glands which give the leaves their aromatic scent.



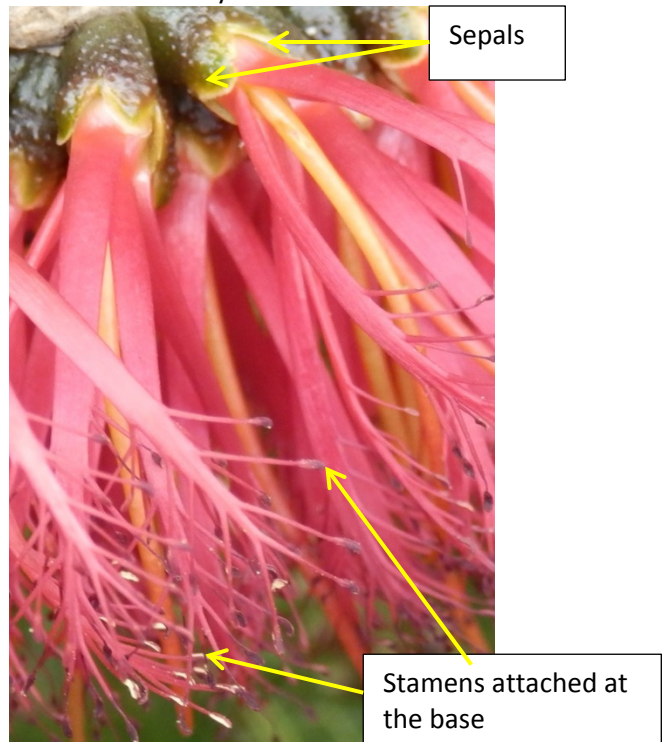
The flower spike is one-sided and can be up to 10cm long. The flowers are red, without stalks, with 4 sepals and 4 petals which fall early.



The brownish coloured petals can be seen in the bud.



The stamens are red and grouped in 4 bundles up to 3cm long with about 20 fertile stamens. The stamens are attached by their base to the stalk.



The fruits are dense up the stem, each is rounded up to 8mm wide with 2 incurved sepals.

