

Diplolaena dampieri
Commonly: Southern Diplolaena
Vascular Plant Family: Rutaceae
Flowers winter to summer

Diplolaena dampieri is a dense shrub often over 1m tall. The branches and leaves are covered in white and rusty coloured star-shaped hairs.



The leaves are up to 4cm long and 1.5cm wide. The lower surface is covered in dense cream coloured hairs, but the upper surface has scattered or no hairs.



The inflorescence is a dense terminal head of flowers surrounded by 3 or 4 rows of overlapping bracts. The bracts are up to 1cm

long covered in cream hairs. The individual flowers have no stalk, 5 petals about 6mm long and 10 or more stamens up to 25mm long that exceed the bracts. It is the stamens which give the 'flower' its colour.



The bracts are persistent in fruit, each individual fruit consisting of 5 corrugated fruitlets.



The seed have been shed from each fruitlet.

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