

Grevillea olivacea
Commonly: Olive Grevillea
Vascular Plant Family: Proteaceae

Flowers early to late spring

Grevillea olivacea is a shrub up to 4m tall. It is restricted to a narrow coastal limestone strip from Jurien Bay to near Geraldton where it is listed as a Priority 4 Flora but at Peppermint Grove Beach is planted around the Wave Walk Car Park.



The simple leaves are leathery up to 7cm long, the upper surface matures without hairs but the lower surface is white-silky hairy with a prominent midrib.

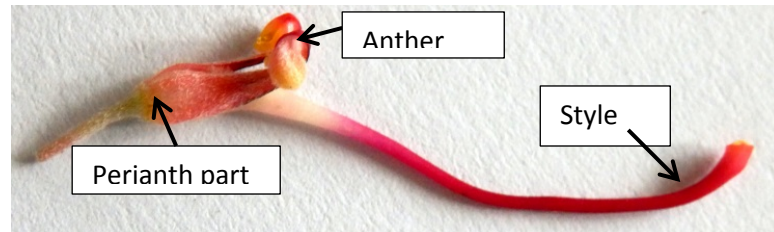


The flowers are bright red on the inner surface but covered with fine hairs on the outer surface. They arise at approximately the same level on a short stalk.

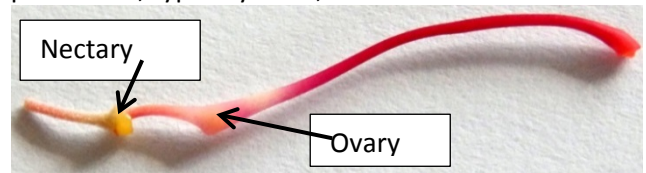


Each flower, including the style, is up to 3cm long. Each flower consists of 4 perianth parts (only 2

visible) with a long red style. The anthers are enclosed in the cup-shaped end of each perianth part.



In this photograph the perianth has been removed. The ovary is on a short stalk and the yellow structure at the end of the flower stalk is the nectary. The nectary produces the nectar which attracts the pollinators, typically birds, to the flowers.



The fruits are up to 1.5cm long often rough or glandular.

Refer also to Peppy Plants article [Grevillea olivacea](#)