

***Templetonia retusa***  
**Commonly: Cockies Tongues**  
**Vascular Plant Family: Fabaceae**

Flowers late autumn to early summer

*Templetonia retusa* is a shrub to 3m tall with bluish-green leaves.



The red, pea- flowers are up to 40mm long with 1 or 2 in a leaf axil. The calyx is 2-lipped with the upper lip broad and the lower lip of 3 rounded lobes. There are 5 petals, the standard petal is reflexed. The 2 lateral petals are nearly equal in length to the keel petals. The 10 stamens are united into an open sheath.



The leaves are scattered without a stalk, 60mm long and 25mm wide, the tip with a notch.



The fruit is stalked, compressed up to 70mm long and 15mm wide.

