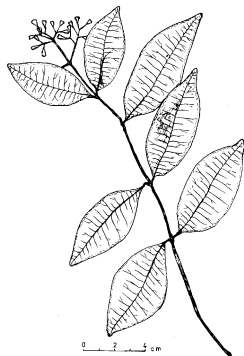


## Myrtaceae

### *Acmena hemilampra*

#### *ssp hemilampra*

broad-leaved or round-leaved lilly pilly



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## ETYMOLOGY

(ac-ME-na) Latin akmenos = full-grown; The Greek species hemilampra (hem-ee-LAM-prum) = glossy upper leaf surface Hemi = half + lampra = shining;

## LIFEFORM

Tree 10-30m x 3-5m Spread

## STATUS

Widespread Occurs in Cape York Peninsula, NEQ, CEQ and southwards as far as Iluka in north-eastern NSW, NT; Poorly conserved; Rare population size

## OCCURS

Agnes Water, Buderim Q, Broken Head N P NSW, Melville Island off NT (NG)

## HABITAT

Subtropical Lowland Rainforest, Complex Notophyll Vine forest, Riverine

## LEAVES

Opposite, 10-13 cm, thick wavy margins recurved, hairless, shiny lateral veins conspicuous slightly raised on upper surface, apex long drip-tip; oil dot density variable on reddish stalks.

## FLOWERS

White to cream panicles at the ends of branchlets; **Flowering times** Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan

## FRUIT

Drupes, 1-2 cm, globular, white in clusters; with circular cavity at the bottom; has single large 7-13 mm seed; **Fruiting times** May, June, July, Aug, Sept

## BARK

Reddish brown smooth or scaly, thick outer blaze red and fibrous thin layer of orange brown below sub-rhytidome layer, Branchlets brown smooth greenish towards the tip.

## TRUNK or STEM

Tree with dense bushy crown; Seldom exceeding 30 cm dbh Sometimes flanged and prominently buttressed at the base in large trees; young shoots are bark red.

## ETHNOBOTANY

Suitable for tropical plantings. Timber dark red medium hard durable wood used for door fittings & furniture; produces millable logs and the timber is marketed as Blush Satinash, useful structural timber. Wood specific gravity 0.72-0.83. Hyland (1983).

## LANDSCAPE USES

Handsome garden plant useful for street planting, screen, windbreak and good container plant (used indoors when young); Fruit edible acid flesh white fruit like Lilly Pilly;

## TOLERANCE

Full sun, tolerates light frost.

## WILDLIFE

Fruit food plant and pollinated by Grey-headed Flying-fox *Pteropus poliocephalus*

## INSECTS

*Aenetus ligniveren*, *Agriophara horridula*, *Cryptaspasma sordida*, *Cryptophasa pultenae*

## BUTTERFLY

*Arhopala micale* Common Oak Blue, *Chaetocneme beata* Common Red-eye, *Hypolycaena phorbis*, *Netrocoryne repanda* Bronze Flat

## ID FEATURE

Attractive bronze new growth + Leaves channelled upper midrib to stalk; Confused with *Acmena resa* leaf should confirm identification: Undergoing reclassification.

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