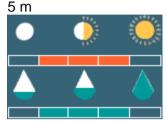
## Geebung - broad leafed

Persoonia stradbrokensis





Evergreen shrub or small tree to









**Distribution:** North from Hastings River NSW. Called Geebungs in eastern Australia, and *Snottygobbles* in the west and south.

**Description:** Leaves elliptic to ovate, hairy when young, smooth when mature. Young branchlets moderately to densely hairy. Flowers are yellow. They are pollinated by a variety of native bees. The fleshy sweet fruits are clearly adapted for animal and bird dispersal.

**Propagation:** Germination by seed is rarely successful. However, once a mature Geebung is removed, many seedlings will sprout around the old roots. Also adapted to bushfires, will re-sprout from the trunk and large branches after fires.

**Habitat:** in coastal heath to dry sclerophyll forest, on coastal sand, sandstone and metasediments.

**Uses:** Fruit is edible once it has dropped to the ground. Parrots eat the unripe fruit, and both native and introduced bees gather pollen from Geebungs.