

4. ERIOSOLENA Blume, Bijdr. 651. 1826.

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Scopolia Linnaeus f. (1782), not Adanson (1763), nor Jacquin (1764), nom. cons., nor J. R. Forster & G. Forster (1775).

Trees or shrubs. Leaves alternate; leaf blade oblong-lanceolate, densely pinnately veined, apex acute. Inflorescence axillary, long pedunculate, capitate, with involucre; bracts 2–4, caducous. Flowers bisexual, sessile, 4-merous. Calyx tube white, funnel-shaped, exterior densely pilose; lobes ± unequal; imbricate. Petaloid appendages absent. Stamens twice as many as calyx lobes, in two series; filaments very short; anthers linear, introrse, basifixed; upper ones half exserted from throat. Disk cup-shaped, membranous, unequal, lobed or serrate, sometimes developed on one side. Ovary ellipsoid, 1-loculed; style short; stigma capitate, included. Fruit a berrylike drupe. Seed testa crustaceous.

Two species: Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam; one species in China.

Halda (Genus *Daphne*, 84. 2001) included *Eriosolena* within his very broad concept of *Daphne*. This view is not accepted here.

1. ***Eriosolena composita* (Linnaeus f.) Tieghem**, Bull. Soc. Bot. France 40: 68. 1893.

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Scopolia composita Linnaeus f., Suppl. Pl. 409. 1782; *Daphne composita* (Linnaeus f.) Gilg; *D. involucrata* Wallich; *D. pendula* Smith; *Eriosolena composita* var. *szemauensis* Y. Y. Qian; *E. involucrata* (Wallich) Tieghem; *E. montana* Blume; *E. pendula* (Smith) Blume ex Lecomte.

Shrubs or trees, to 10 m tall. Branchlets erect, brown to grayish brown, striped when dried, slender, glabrous. Leaves alternate; petiole 2–5 mm, glabrous; leaf blade green, sometimes brownish adaxially, grayish green abaxially, elliptic to elliptic-lanceolate, (3.5–)5–14(–20) × (1.5–)1.8–3.5(–5) cm, both surfaces glabrous, base cuneate, apex acuminate; lateral veins 9–15

pairs, dense, slender, curved ascending, more conspicuous abaxially, reticulate veins dense. Inflorescences axillary, rarely paired, capitate, (4–)8–12-flowered; peduncle 1.4–4 cm, slender; involucral bracts 2–4, caducous during anthesis, adaxially pubescent. Flowers fragrant. Calyx pale yellow or white; tube ca. 12 mm, exterior densely sericeous; lobes 4, unequal, ovate, 2–4 × 1–1.5 mm. Stamens 8; filaments very short; anthers yellow, oblong, 1–1.5 mm. Disk scalelike, cup-shaped, ca. 2 mm wide, membranous, unequal laterally. Ovary ellipsoid, apex white hirsute; style short, densely white hirsute; stigma capitate, papillose. Drupe blackish violet or red, ovoid, 10–15 × ca. 5 mm. Fl. spring.

Forests, shrubby slopes; 1300–1800 m. SE to SW Yunnan [Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam].

