Circumscription and nomenclature of *Hiraea barclayana*, *H. reclinata*, and *H. ternifolia* (*Malpighiaceae*), and of seven species misassigned to them

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**Abstract** A review of collections from Mexico to northern South America that had been primarily determined as *H. barclayana*, *H. reclinata*, and *H. ternifolia*, or synonyms, showed them to include ten species. Misinterpretations were caused by superficial morphological similarities and traditional nomenclatural errors. The species now recognized include six previously described: *H. barclayana*, *H. hookeriana* (formerly included in *H. reclinata*), *H. reclinata*, *H. sanctae-martiae*, *H. ternifolia*, and *H. transiens*. Four new species are proposed: *H. mcvaughii*, *H. silvicola*, and *H. venezuelana*; *H. trianae* was previously recognized at varietal level and is elevated to species. A neotype is chosen for *H. reclinata*. Lectotypes are designated for *H. velutina* (= *H. barclayana*) and four synonyms of *H. reclinata*: *H. borealis*, *H. borealis* var. *glandulifera*, *H. obovata* var. *angustifolia*, *H. obovata* var. *latifolia* forma *glandulifera*. Full descriptions and synonymies as well as a key are presented. All species are illustrated.

**INTRODUCTION**

The genus *Hiraea* Jacq. comprises over 60 species found from Mexico to Argentina, except Chile. It is characterised by epipetiolate stipules and umbellate axillary inflorescences. For the majority of species the basic inflorescence unit is a 4-flowered umbel, solitary or arranged in ternate or sometimes binate cymes; the remainder have multi-flowered umbels, the numerous pedicels radiating from one point. The bilaterally symmetrical flowers have yellow petals. The fruit is a schizocarp breaking into three samaras, which, except in a few species, are butterfly-shaped, i.e., the nut bearing two large lateral wings and a dorsal crest or winglet. Although the genus is easily recognized, the species are not so readily determined, owing to subtle morphological distinctions as well as nomenclatural misinterpretation and confusion.

This study is focussed on taxa with inflorescences based on 4-flowered umbels gathered from southern Mexico to northern Colombia and northern Venezuela to which the names *H. reclinata* Jacq., *H. barclayana* Benth., *H. velutina* Nied., and *H. ternifolia* (Kunth) A.Juss. have been most commonly attached. Also included are three collections from Brazil that were tentatively assigned to *H. ternifolia*. Determinations had been based largely on the presence or absence and nature of abaxial laminar vesture. In general, plants with sparsely pubescent to glabrous laminae had been assigned to *H. reclinata* (or one of its synonyms; *H. borealis* Nied., *H. obovata* (Kunth) Nied., *H. purpussii* Brandegee) or to *H. transiens* Nied. Plants with the abaxial laminar surface densely velutinous were determined as *H. barclayana*, *H. velutina*, or *H. ternifolia*.

Presence or absence of abaxial laminar vesture is a useful character in *Hiraea*; however, in many species any abaxial pubescence often thins gradually and is eventually shed as the leaf ages, though generally some of the vesture is retained on and near the costa and secondary veins. Onset of flowering may occur before or at the time the new leaves emerge. Collections of this stage often consist of bare branches crowded with numerous condensed inflorescences, and perhaps a flush of young leaves (e.g., Fig. 5a) and a few old leaves that seem to lack vesture. Among the taxa under consideration here, such collections are often labelled as *H. reclinata* (or a synonym) only because any retained leaves appear to be glabrous to the casual observer, although closer examination would reveal remnants of distinctive vesture.

**TAXONOMIC HISTORY**

Correct application of names was also obscured by the influential publications of Franz Niedenzu and José Cuatrecasas. Niedenzu’s interpretations of *Hiraea* (1906, 1928) suffered from the paucity of collections available to him and his lack of opportunity to study the collections and types at BM, K, and P. Many more collections of *Hiraea* had accumulated by the time Cuatrecasas (1958) prepared his review of *Hiraea* in Colombia; yet, he also did not have the chance to study all pertinent collections and types. Niedenzu, in his revision of *Hiraea* (1906), was particularly uncertain about the identity of *H. barclayana*. He noted in a footnote that he had not seen an ‘authentic’ specimen, and that *H. barclayana* might be the same as his new *H. velutina*. In his revision of *Mascagnia* (1908) he published the combination *Mascagnia barclayana* (Benth.) Nied., but with a question mark and footnoted observation “Forsan potius vera *Hiraea affinis* *H. ternifoliae*”. He returned *H. barclayana* to *Hiraea* in his monograph of the *Malpighiaceae* for Das Pflanzenreich (1928). For plants with sparsely pubescent to glabrous leaves Niedenzu recognized *H. borealis*, *H. reclinata* (including *H. hookeriana* A.Juss.), and *H. obovata* (including *H. barclayana*), and as well as his *H. transiens* (1906), based on diverse syntypes from Colombia, Peru, and Venezuela. To the listings of specimens for the last name, he added collections from Brazil (Bahia) and Bolivia, which further confused the application of the name *H. transiens*. For plants with velutinous

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vesture Niedenzu recognized *H. ternifolia* and *H. velutina*. Under *H. ternifolia* he included as synonyms *H. wiedeniana* A. Juss. and *H. houletiana* A. Juss., which are both synonyms of *H. macrophylla* (Cola) P. L. R. Moraes & Guglielmone, a species of eastern Brazil (C. Anderson 2014). His *H. velutina* (1906) is based on disparate syntypes, here assigned to *H. barclayana* and *H. ternifolia*. Cuatrecasas (1958) in his treatment of the *Malpighiaceae* for Colombia placed *H. velutina* within *H. ternifolia*. Like Niedenzu, he included *H. hookeriana* and *H. barclayana* under *H. reclinata* and also listed *H. transiens* as an additional synonym. Cuatrecasas & Croat (1981) in the account of *Malpighiaceae* for the Flora of Panama maintained this synonymy for *H. reclinata* and added *Tetrapteryx panamensis* Seem. and the combination *Hiraea panamensis* (Seem.) Gris., which are here considered synonyms of *H. barclayana*. As in some other genera of *Malpighiaceae* that have calyx glands, populations of *Hiraea* may include individuals in which such glands are absent. Niedenzu (1906, 1928) recognized this difference at the level of variety and Cuatrecasas (1958) of forma; however, this variability does not merit taxonomic recognition.

**NOTES ON MORPHOLOGY**

In all species treated, the tertiary veins of the leaf blades are spaced well more than 1 mm apart, and higher-order veins are clearly visible (Fig. 3e). These aspects immediately exclude the partly sympatric glabrous *H. fagifolia* (DC.) A. Juss., in which the scalariform tertiary veins are very closely spaced, c. 1 mm or less apart, and higher-order veins are not evident. The size of leaves of vegetative branches often greatly exceeds those found on branches bearing inflorescences; the largest size of leaves of vegetative branches often greatly exceeds quite variable (e.g., Fig. 3a, b, d); the youngest laminas are often the narrowest. The hairs found in *Hiraea* vary from sessile or subssessile and straight to wavy or V-shaped to distinctly stalked and Y- or T-shaped, the latter with the trabecula (the cross-piece) straight to wavy.

The basic inflorescence is a tennate cyme of 4-flowered umbels, although one or both lateral branches may be suppressed occasionally. In some species the inflorescence is bitemperate (Fig. 2c), and in a few both forms may occur. In most genera of *Malpighiaceae* the pedicel is subtended by a pair of bracteoles and is borne on a peduncle subtended by a bract. In *Hiraea*, the floriferous peduncle is absent, and the flower is borne on a pedicel subtended by a pair of bracteoles and a bract (Fig. 3f). The term ‘peduncle’ in *Hiraea* denotes the axis subtending an umbel. The cyme may be sessile or borne on an inflorescence axis. The lateral peduncles are usually borne on rudimentary axes, subtended by a pair of bracts, whereas the central peduncle is sessile. In a few species, all peduncles are sessile. As a rule, the crowded inflorescences borne on leafless branches are condensed, and have shorter axes and pedicels than inflorescences borne in the axils of expanded leaves (Fig. 1a, b, 2a, b). Measurements of flowers and embryos given in the descriptions are taken from herbarium material revived with Pohl’s solution (Pohl 1965).

**CONCLUSIONS AND KEY**

The aspect of the abaxial laminar surface proves to be indeed a useful character for identification, if used with care. Review of the collections found under the bewildering array of names shows them to belong to ten species. In four species the abaxial laminar vesture is persistent and velutinous. These include *H. barclayana* (Mexico to northern Colombia and adjacent Venezuela), *H. ternifolia* (Panama, Colombia, north-western Venezuela), *H. trianea* (Colombia; elevated from varietal rank), and a novelty, *H. silvicola* C. E. Anderson (Brazil). In three species the abaxial vesture is composed of all or in part of T-shaped hairs, i.e., mixed with sessile or Y-shaped hairs, which thins as the leaves mature: *H. movaughii* C. E. Anderson (Mexico; here newly described), *H. hookeriana* (northern Venezuela, Trinidad and Tobago), and *H. venezuelana* C. E. Anderson (western Venezuela; another novelty). In another three species any abaxial pubescence consists of only sessile to subssessile hairs. In *H. reclinata* (Mexico to Colombia) the abaxial vesture is usually sparse already in expanding leaves; the mature leaves are mostly glabrescent to glabrous. In *H. transiens* (Colombia, northern Venezuela) the hairs on the abaxial surface are persistent but so small that the leaf seems glabrous to the unaided eye. Added to these is *H. sanctae-marthae* C. V. Morton (north-western Colombia) in which the laminas are abaxially densely silvery sericeous at the time of flowering and fruiting; however, this distinctive vesture thins after the reproductive phase, and sterile specimens with older leaves have been mistaken for *H. reclinata*. These ten species may be separated with the following key.

1. Laminas abaxially evenly velutinous, the hairs all Y- and V-shaped or with some T-shaped hairs intermixed .................. 2
2. Laminas abaxially glabrous or sericeous or with T-shaped hairs .................................................. 5
3. Laminas subulate, petioles 11–23 mm long, bearing stipules at middle to distal 1/4; inflorescences 1–2 per leaf axil, umbels 4–6-flowered. — Colombia (Cundinamarca, Norte de Santander, Tolima) .................. 9. *H. trianea*
4. Styles glabrous; posterior petal 5.5–6.5 mm long and wide, margin of distal 1/3–1/2 dentate-fimbriate to lacerate, or proximal 1/2–2/3 erose to subentire; hairs of abaxial vesture with a stalk to 0.2 mm long, arms of V- or Y-shaped hairs 0.1–0.5 mm long, with some T-shaped hairs intermixed. — Southern Mexico to northern Colombia and north-western Venezuela ........................................ 1. *H. barclayana*
5. Styles pubescent in basal 1/4–1/2; posterior petal c. 4 mm long and wide, margin glandular-digitate-fimbriate; hairs of abaxial vesture V- or Y-shaped, stalk to 0.05 mm long, arms 0.1–0.2 mm long, T-shaped hairs absent. — Brazil (Maranhão, Pará). .................. 6. *H. silvicola*
6. Mature laminas abaxially appearing glabrous to the naked eye, but evenly covered with minute appressed hairs 0.1–0.3(–0.5) mm long; inflorescences biteminate, all peduncles sessile, sometimes with an additional peduncle inserted below one or both lateral axes (Fig. 8d). — Northern Colombia to northern Venezuela .................. 8. *H. transiens*

5. Mature laminas abaxially densely sericeous at time of flowering and fruiting, or glabrous, or with scattered sessile, subsessile, or stalked hairs, hairs/trabecula (0.3–) 0.5–2.2 mm long; inflorescences ternate cymes (or also some biteminate in *H. hookeriana*, *H. venezuelana*), central peduncle sessile, lateral peduncles sessile or subtended by a rudimentary axis, without additional peduncles .................. 6
6. Laminas on fertile branches abaxially densely silvery sericeous, the epidermis hidden, the venation thinning with age, eventually glabrescent but usually some of the venation retained near the costa and secondary veins; stipules at base of petiole. — Colombia (Atlántico, Magdalena) ............................... 5. H. sanctae-marthae

6. Laminas on fertile and sterile branches abaxially glabrous or with T-shaped hairs and/or with scattered sessile to subsessile hairs, the epidermis always evident; stipules at base to distal 1/3 of petiole ............................... 7

7. Young laminas adaxially with T-shaped hairs, soon glabrous, abaxially tomentose; mature laminas abaxially with abundant T-shaped hairs, not bullate. — Mexico (Colima, Guerrero, western Jalisco, Nayarit, southern Sinaloa) .......................... 3. H. mcvauhii

7. Young laminas adaxially sericeous, soon glabrous, abaxially sericeous or with Y- and/or T-shaped hairs; mature laminas abaxially glabrous or with scattered sessile to subsessile and/or T- and Y-shaped hairs, especially along the costa and secondary veins, bullate or not ................................ 8

8. Mature laminas bullate, the costa and secondary veins deeply impressed adaxially, abaxially glabrous or with scattered T- and Y-shaped hairs; petioles (2–)3–9 mm long; stipules at base of petiole to basal 1/3. — Northern Venezuela, Trinidad ................................. 2. H. hookeriana

8. Mature laminas plane, the costa and secondary veins slightly or not impressed adaxially, abaxially glabrous or with scattered sessile to subsessile hairs only or mixed with T-shaped hairs; petioles 4–18 mm long; stipules from basal 1/4 to distal 1/3 ........................................ 9

9. Inflorescence 1 per leaf axil (rarely 2), a ternate cyme with all umbels 4-flowered; base of lamina truncate in smaller leaves to cordate and auriculate in larger ones; petiole with a pair of glands at apex or just below it (rarely glands absent), bearing stipules at the middle to basal 1/4; mature laminas abaxially with scattered sessile to subsessile hairs to glabrous, T-shaped hairs absent. — Southern Mexico to north-eastern Colombia ................................. 4. H. reclinata

9. Inflorescences 1–2 per leaf axil, a ternate cyme with the lateral umbels (5–)6–flowered, central umbel 4-flowered, occasionally some cymes binate and all umbels 4-flowered; base of lamina cuneate to briefly truncate in larger leaves; petiole with a pair of glands at apex or up to 1.5–2 mm below apex, bearing stipules at the middle to distal 1/3; mature laminas abaxially with a mixture of scattered sessile, subsessile, and T-shaped hairs to glabrous. — Venezuela (Aragua, Barinas, Lara, Yaracuy) ........................... 10. H. venezuelana

TAXONOMIC TREATMENT

1. Hiraea barclayana Benth. — Fig. 1; Map 1–3


Tetrapterys panamensis Seem. (1858) 92. — Hiraea panamensis (Seem.) Griseb. (1898) 100. — Type: Seemann 1215 (holo BM; iso K), Panama, Veraguas, near Santiago de Veraguas, 1849.

Hiraea velutina Nied. (1906) 6. — Type: Galeotti s.n. (lecto, here designated MIC; isoleco BR), Mexico, Oaxaca, Pinotepa Nacional, 1839 (McVaugh 1978).

Woody vine, shrub or twining shrub, or small tree to 4 m; stems densely velutinous when young, becoming glabrous. Leaves opposite. Laminas of the larger leaves 6–18 by 3–10 cm, elliptical to obovate, apex mucronate or emarginate-mucronate, base truncate in smaller leaves to cordate or auriculate in larger ones, adaxially densely and loosely covered with straight to wavy ses-
Fig. 1 Hiraea barclayana Benth. a. Flowering branch; b. condensed inflorescences on leafless branch; c. large leaf, abaxial view; d. detail showing abaxial vesture of lamina; e. base of lamina, adaxial view, and petiole with a pair of glands and a pair of stipules; f. posterior petal; g. posterior-lateral petal; h. anterior-lateral petal; i. portion of androecium, first stamen at left opposite posterior petal; j. gynoecium, anterior style at left; k. samara, adaxial view; l. samara, abaxial view; m. detail of samara showing dorsal winglet (from: a, f–j. Edwards 606, F; b. Renderos 139, MO; c–e. Molina 941, GH; k–m. Villacorta 10859, MO). — Scale bar: a–c = 4 cm; d, m = 4 mm; e = 1.3 cm; f–h = 6.7 mm; i–j = 2.7 mm; k–l = 2 cm. — Drawn by Karin Douthit.
H. barclayana is much less frequently collected. Surprisingly, it is not known from Costa Rica, a country that saw years of intensive collecting in anticipation of the Manual de Plantas de Costa Rica (Malpighiaceae by W.R. Anderson 2007b). The type of Tetrapterys panamensis appears to be the only record of H. barclayana in Panama. Triana & Planchon (1862) cite the name under H. barclayana, as does Hemsley (1879), who had access to this type (as well as that of H. barclayana). Niedenzu (1928) saw neither type and in his treatment of Tetrapterys lists Seemann’s name under “species incertae sedis” as well as, with question mark, in the synonymy for H. obovata [= H. reclinata]. Cuatrecasas & Croat (1981) in the Flora of Panama cite Tetrapterys panamensis and the combination in Hiraea as synonyms of H. reclinata.

In the protologue the type of H. barclayana is said to have come from ‘Libertad in Columbia’ (Bentham 1844), which led Triana & Planchon (1862) to include H. barclayana in their Prodromus of the Colombian flora. Hemsley (1879) states ‘San Salvador, Libertad’, which is the locality given on the BM isotype. The labels of the duplicates at Kew say only ‘Libertad’, but the labels with the isotypes at MO note ‘Mexico’ as the country of origin.

The late William R. Anderson left unpublished notes concerning the type locality and confirmed that it is the port of La Libertad in El Salvador. Captain Belcher (1843: 1: 32–36) in his “Narrative…” of the voyage describes arriving from Nicaragua at “Libertad” in April 1837 and going overland to San Salvador before returning to the port and proceeding to Mexico. Barclay’s specimens are branches bearing fruits and mature leaves. The abaxial vesture was described by Bentham as sparse, which likely led some readers to equate H. barclayana with H. reclinata (and synonyms). One of the two isotypes at MO is a mixture of H. barclayana and a legume.

Niedenzu (1906) based H. velutina on three syntypes: Galeotti s.n. from Oaxaca, Mexico, Seler & Seler 1800 from Chiapas, Mexico, and Lehmann 4636 from Antioquia, Colombia. The Galeotti duplicate at MICH is here designated as lectotype of H. velutina, and the name thus becomes a synonym for H. barclayana. Both the lectotype and islectotype are annotated by Niedenzu. Lehmann 4636 belongs to H. ternifolia. I did not find any duplicates of Seler & Seler 1800; Niedenzu’s syntype at B was destroyed. Because it was obtained in Chiapas, it is most likely referable to H. barclayana. Until William R. Anderson realized the correct application of the names H. barclayana and H. reclinata during his floristic work on Malpighiaceae, starting in the 1970s, collections of H. barclayana were commonly determined as H. velutina.

2. Hiraea hookeriana A.Juss. — Fig. 2; Map 4

Hiraea hookeriana A.Juss. (1840) 258. — Type: B. de Sch. s.n. [Baron von Schack] (holo K), Trinidad and Tobago, Trinidad.

Woody vine, scandent shrub to 6 m, or small tree 3–4(–8) m; stems densely sericeous when young, becoming glabrous. Leaves opposite. Lamina of the larger leaves 5–15 by 2–7.5

Notes — The spreading/erect vesture on the abaxial surface of the lamina of H. barclayana immediately separates it from the partly sympatric H. reclinata, in which the laminae are usually glabrous or have appressed hairs. The new leaves of H. barclayana are densely pubescent on both surfaces, but as the lamina expands, the adaxial surface is soon glabrescent to glabrous. The abaxial vesture persists and is composed largely of V- and Y-shaped hairs (the arms commonly unequal) as well as some T-shaped hairs. The aspect of the vesture changes with the growth of the leaf. The abaxial surface of youngest laminae has the arms of the closely spaced hairs intertwining. As the leaf expands the vesture thins and becomes evenly velutinous, and gradually sparser in older leaves. Only in the oldest leaves is the laminar vesture eventually sloughed off; such leaves superficially appear glabrous but some of the distinctive hairs remain, especially near and on the costa and secondary veins, particularly at and near the base of the lamina.

The ranges of H. reclinata and H. barclayana are largely sympatric, but H. barclayana is much less frequently collected. Surprisingly, it is not known from Costa Rica, a country that saw years of intensive collecting in anticipation of the Manual de Plantas.
Fig. 2  *Hiraea hookeriana* A.Juss. a. Flowering branch; b. condensed inflorescences on leafless branch; c. inflorescence with tertiary branching (baceous cyme); d. large leaf; e. detail showing abaxial vesture of lamina and two marginal glands; f. base of lamina, abaxial view, and petiole with a pair of glands and a pair of stipules; g. flower with lacerate posterior petal; h. posterior petal with dentate-fimbriate margin; i. portion of androecium, first stamen at right opposite posterior petal; j. gynoecium, anterior style at left; k. samara, abaxial view; l. embryo (from: a, d–f, h–j. *Sugden 1212, K; b. Britton 2916, US; c. Bunting 12895, NY; g. Steyermark & González 113617, MO; k. Sugden 1234, MO; l. Medina 825, VEN).* — Scale bar: a–d = 4 cm; e, i = 4 mm; f = 8 mm; g = 1 cm; h–j = 2.7 mm; k = 2.7 cm. — Drawn by Karin Douthit.
cm, narrowly elliptical to narrowly ob lanceolate or narrowly oblong to elliptical or obovate, apex mucronate or emarginate-mucronate, base truncate in smaller leaves to slightly cordate in larger ones, mature laminas coriaceous and bullate, adaxially with sessile to subsessile hairs when young, soon glabrescent to glabrous, abaxially with subsessile to T-shaped hairs and sometimes also with a few Y-shaped hairs when young, soon glabrescent but often hairs retained on the costa and secondary veins especially toward the base, the oldest laminas eventually glabrescent, but often hairs retained on the costa and abaxial surface of bracts and bracteoles c. 0.5 mm, densely covered with sessile to T-shaped hairs (stalk to 0.1 mm); taxes and abaxial surface of bracts and bracteoles 2–4.5 (–5) mm long, borne at or slightly above base or sometimes to basal 1/3 (rarely near the middle) of the petiole. Inflorescences solitary axillary tere nate cymes of 4-flowered umbels or sometimes bi ternate; umbel without a gland in the centre; inflorescence axis 0–6 (–8) mm long, bracts 2–2.5 by 1.5–2 mm; lateral peduncles borne on axes 0–2.5 mm long, subtended by bracts 1–1.5 mm long and wide; peduncles (1.5–)3–11.5 (–15.5) mm long, the lateral usually longer than the central one; bracts and bracteoles subtending pedicels 1–2 mm long and wide; pedicels 8–24 by c. 0.5 mm, densely covered with sessile to T-shaped hairs (stalk to 0.1 mm); axes and abaxial surface of bracts and bracteoles densely sericeous. On leafless branches inflorescences usually crowded and condensed, sessile to subsessile, pedicels 8–12 mm long. Sepals 1.8–2.5 by 1.5–2.5 mm, triangular, adaxially glabrous, abaxially sericeous; anterior sepal eglandular, the lateral four biglandular, glands 1–1.3 (–2) mm long, or all eglandular. Petals yellow, glabrous; lateral petals with the claw 1.5–2.5 mm long, limb 6.5–7.5 (–8) mm long and wide, orbicular, margin subentire to irregularly minutely denticulate, teeth to 0.1 mm long; posterior petal with the claw 3–4 mm long and thicker than that of lateral petals, limb 5–6 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin variably lacerate-dentate-fimbriate, teeth/fimbriae to 0.4 (–0.7) mm long, those at apex minutely glandular or eglandular. Stamens glabrous, filaments basally connate. Stamen opposite anterior sepal: filament 3–4 mm long, anther 1–1.4 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral petals: filaments 2–3 mm long, anthers 0.8–1 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral sepals: filaments 2.7–3.5 mm long, anthers 0.9–1 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral petals: filaments 2–2.5 mm long, anthers 0.6–0.8 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral sepals: filaments 2.5–3.2 mm long, anthers 0.9–1 mm long; stamen opposite posterior petal: filament 1.8–2.3 mm long, anther 0.5–0.6 mm long. Styles incurved, glabrous; anterior style 2.5–4 by 0.4–0.5 mm, apex extended into a spur 0.2–0.3 mm long; posterior styles 2.5–3.8 by 0.3–0.4 mm, apex extended into a spur 0.1–0.2 mm long. Ovary 1–1.5 mm long, densely villous. Samara butterfly-shaped; lateral wings 2–3 by 1.5–2 cm; dorsal wing 2–3.5 mm long, 1–3 mm high, subentire or coarsely dentate; nut subshigular, 3–3.5 mm diam, areole c. 1.4 by 1.5–2 mm. Embryophoral 3–3.5 mm diam.

Distribution — Northern Venezuela (Falcón, Nueva Esparta, Portuguesa, Táchira, Yaracuy, Zulia), Trinidad.

Habitat & Phenology — In wet evergreen and semi-evergreen riverine forest, thickets, and matorral; sea level to 1300 m; collected in flower in February, April through June, August, and October (in bud in December and January), in fruit from April to June, August, October, and November.

Notes — Traditionally H. hookeriana was equated with H. reclinata in the literature (e.g., Grisebach 1860, Niedenzu 1906, 1928, Cuatrecasas 1958) and in the herbarium. It differs in its distinctive coriaceous bullate laminas, in which the costa and secondary veins are deeply impressed adaxially. The abaxial ventrue is composed mostly of T-shaped hairs mixed with some Y-shaped and subsessile hairs, which are gradually abraded. The older laminas become glabrescent and eventually glabrous, but commonly some of the characteristic hairs are retained on and along the costa and secondary veins. Hiraea hookeriana differs from the sympatric H. venezuelana in its bullate leaves, stipules placed at or near the base of the petiole, and in its inflorescences bearing only 4-flowered umbels.

The shape of the posterior petal of H. hookeriana varies from lacerate to having the margin drawn out into fimbriae, these eglandular or minutely gland-tipped. Fig. 2g, h shows the extremes, but in many specimens the margin is intermediate, with the apex more irregularly divided than the lateral margins.

The lateral petals are usually subentire but may be minutely denticulate.

3. Hiraea mcvaughii C.E.Anderson, sp. nov. — Fig. 3; Map 5

Differt a H. reclinata laminae foliorum adaxiales abaxialiter et abaxialiter pilosiformes ferens; petalo postico margine apice dentato vel lacerato-dentato et basi denticulato. — Type: McVaugh 15228 (holo MICH; iso MEXU, US), Mexico, Nayarit, Mirador de Agüila, c. 14 mi N of Tepic, 600 m, 8 July 1957.

Etymology. The specific epithet honours Rogers McVaugh (1909–2009), foremost student of the flora of western Mexico, who collected the type.

Woody vine, shrub or twining shrub, or small tree to 3 m; stems sericeous when young, becoming glabrous. Leaves opposite. Lamina of the larger leaves 5–17.5 by 3–10 cm, elliptical to obovate, apex apiculate-mucronate, mucronate, or emarginate-mucronate, base truncate in smaller leaves to cordate or auriculate in larger ones, adaxially densely covered with subsessile to T-shaped hairs (stalk to 0.1 mm) when young, soon glabrous, abaxially tomentose when young, the ventrue soon thinning, when mature with T-shaped hairs, stalks (0.05–)0.1–0.2 mm long, trabecula 1–2 mm long, straight to wavy; margin with a few scattered glands c. 0.2 mm diam near apex or glands absent; costa slightly impressed adaxially and prominent abaxially. Petioles 5–11 by 1.2–2 mm, densely sericeous, with a pair of glands at apex, each gland 0.5–1 mm long. Stipules 1.5–4.5 mm long, borne near the base to the middle of the petiole. Inflorescences solitary axillary tere nate cymes of 4-flowered umbels; umbel without a gland in the centre; inflorescence axis 0–3 mm long, bracts 1.5–2.5 mm long and wide; lateral peduncles borne on axes 0–4 mm long, subtended by bracts 1.5–2 mm long and wide; pedicels 1–12 mm long; bracts and bracteoles subtending pedicels 1.3–2 mm long and wide; pedicels (9–)12–26 by 0.4–0.5 mm, densely

![Map 4](https://example.com/map4.png)  
**Map 4** Distribution of Hiraea hookeriana A.Juss. (▲) and H. trianae (■).
covered with sessile to T-shaped hairs (stalk to 0.1 mm); axes, abaxial surface of bracts and bracteoles densely sericeous. Sepals 2–2.5(–2.8) by 2–2.5 mm, triangular, adaxially glabrous, abaxially sericeous; anterior sepal eglandular, the lateral four biglandular, glands 1–2 mm long, or all sepals eglandular. Petals yellow, glabrous; lateral petals with the claw 2.5–3 mm long, limb of anterior-lateral petals 8–8.5 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin subentire to minutely denticulate, teeth to 0.1 mm long, or with a few larger teeth (to 0.3 mm) at apex, limb of posterior-lateral petals 7–8 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin irregularly denticulate or only at apex and otherwise subentire, teeth to 0.2(–0.4) mm long; posterior petal with the claw 3–4 mm long and thicker than that of lateral petals, limb 7–7.5 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin irregularly dentate to dentate-lacerate, teeth to 0.5–1.2 mm long, longest at apex. Stamens glabrous, filaments basally connate. Stamen opposite anterior sepal: filament 3.8–4.5 mm long, anther 1.1–1.3 mm long; stamen opposite anterior-lateral petals: filaments 3.5–4
mm long, anthers 0.9–1 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral sepals: filaments 3.8–4.5 mm long, anthers 1–1.2 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral petals: filaments 2.5–3 mm long, anthers 0.8–1 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral sepals: filaments 3.5–4 mm long, anthers 0.9–1.1 mm long; stamens opposite posterior petal: filament 2–2.5(–3) mm long, anther 0.6–0.8 mm long. Styles incurved, glabrous, 4–4.5 by 0.4–0.5 mm; apex of anterior style extended into a spur 0.1–0.3 mm long; apex of posterior styles extended into a spur 0.05–0.1 mm long. Ovary 1–1.5 mm long, densely villose. Samara butterfly-shaped; lateral wings 3.2–3.3 by 2–2.3 mm; dorsal wing a crest c. 1.5 mm high, coarsely dentate; nucule subspHERical, 4–5 mm diam, areole 2–2.3 mm diam. Mature seed not seen.

Distribution — Coastal regions of western Mexico (Colima, Guerrero, Jalisco, Michoacán, Nayarit and adjacent Sinaloa).

Habitat & Phenology — In tropical deciduous and subdeciduous forest, and roadside thickets; sea level to 600 m; collected in flower in February, May to August (one collection from December), in fruit in June to August.

Representative specimens. MEXICO, Colima, Mpio. Ixtlahuacán, brecha Ixtlahuacán-La Presa, 1 km NE de Ixtlahuacán, Santana & Cervantes 286 (IBUG, MICH). Guerrero, sea cliffs west of Acapulco, Clark 7178 (NY, US); Puerto Marqués, Acapulco, Sept. 1952, Ramirez C. s.n. (MEXU). Jalisco, Mpio. La Huerta, Estación de Biologia de Chamaela, 2 km SE sobre la carretera Puerto Vallarta-Barra de Navidad, Ayala 667 (CAS, MICH); Estación de Biologia de Chamaela, Bullock 1352 (MEXU, MICH, MO), 1585 (MICH, TEX); Mpio. La Huerta, km 56, carr. B. Navidad Ptl. Vallarta, Bullock 1712 (CAS, MICH); Mpio. La Huerta, Los Angeles de Tenacatita, González & Guzmán 939 (MEXU); Mpio. La Huerta, Estación de Biología de Chameala, Magallanes 713 (MEXU, MICH), 2977 (MEXU, MICH, TEX); Michoacán, Mexican Hwy 200 between Playa Azul and Tecoman, Colina, 6 km W of Maruhuata, Miller & Téllez V. 3089 (MICH); trail from Atzupuza to San Pedro N of Hwy 200, Murray & Johnson 1454 (MICH). Nayarit, Mpio. Tepic, Aguamilpa, 4 km antes La Presa, N21°40’W104°34’, Flores F. 1859 (MICH); Tres Marias Islands, Maria Magdalena, 28 June 1963, Grant s.n. (DS); W of Ingenio, Gregg 1039 (MO); Mirador de Aguila, c. 14 mi N of Tepic, McLaughlin 15257 (MICH); Acaponeta, Rose 1507 (GH, NY, US). Sinaloa, Rosario, 26–29 July 1897, Rose s.n. (US).

Note — Hiraea mcaughii is a species of the coastal regions of western Mexico and not sympatric with H. barclayana, with which it was commonly placed, often as ‘H. velutina’. It is readily separated from H. barclayana and H. reclinata by the persistent abaxial laminar pubescence composed of T-shaped hairs. The dense abaxial ventre of the youngest leaves thins quickly, and mature laminae bear T-shaped hairs with straight to wavy trabecula. The hairs are never appressed, as in H. reclinata, nor predominantly Y-shaped, as in H. barclayana.

4. Hiraea reclinata Jacq. — Fig. 4; Map 3, 6, 7


Hiraea borealis Nied. (1906) 5. — Hiraea borealis var. eglandulosa Nied. (1906) 6, nom. superfl. — Type: Gaumer 66 (holo B; lecto, here designated K), Honduras, Islas de la Bahía, ‘Island of Rosatan’ (Roatán), [1885].

Hiraea borealis var. glandulifera Nied. (1906) 6. — Type: Gaumer 67 (holo B; lecto, here designated GH), Mexico, Quintana Roo, Cozumel Island, 20 Apr. 1885. [The duplicate at K has eglandular sepals.]

Hiraea purpusii Brandegee (1922) 184. — Type: Purpus 8731 (holo UC-214375; iso GH, MO, NY, UC, US), Mexico, Veracruz, Camerón, Apr. 1922.

Wody vine to 25 m or scandent shrub or treltee to 4–(7) m; stems densely sericeous when young, becoming glabrous. Leaves opposite. Laminas of the larger leaves 6–25.5 by 3–12 cm, narrowly to broadly elliptical or obovate, apex mucronate or emarginate-mucronate to apiculate (occasionally acuminate), base truncate in smaller leaves to cordate and auriculate in larger ones, adaxially densely loosely sericeous when very young, soon glabrescent to glabrous, abaxially sericeous, usually sparsely so, when young, and soon glabrescent to glabrous but often hairs retained on and along the costa and secondary veins, entirely glabrous in oldest laminas, hairs 0.3–1(–2) mm long, sessile or subsessile, straight or wavy; margin without glands or sometimes with a few scattered glands c. 0.2 mm diam in distal 1/3 or only near apex; costa and secondary veins slightly or not impressed adaxially, prominent abaxially. Petioles 4–18 by 1.5–2.5 mm, densely sericeous, with a pair of glands at apex, each gland 0.6–1.5(–1.8) mm long, or rarely glands absent. Stipules 2–4.6 mm long, borne at middle to basal 1/4 of petiole, in young leaves or on very short petals sometimes nearer the base. Inflorescences solitary (rarely 2) axillary terminal cymes of 4-flowered umbels; umbel without a gland in the centre; inflorescence axis 0–3(–5) mm long, bracts 1.5–2.5 mm long and wide; lateral peduncles borne on axes 0.5–2.5 mm long, subtended by bracts 1.2–2 mm long and wide; pedicels 0.5–8(–11) mm long; bracts and bracteoles subtending pedicels 1.2–1.5(–2) mm long and wide; pedicels (7–)9–29 by c. 0.3 mm, densely covered with sessile to T-shaped hairs (stalk to 0.05 mm); axes and abaxial surface of bracts and bracteoles densely sericeous. On leafless branches inflorescences usually crowded and condensed, sessile to subsessile, pedicels 7–10 mm long. Sepals 2–2.5 by 1.8–2 mm, triangular, adaxially glabrous, abaxially sericeous; anterior sepal eglandular, the lateral four biglandular, glands 1.5–2 mm long, or all sepals eglandular, or rarely all sepals glandular (or the anterior sepals with only one gland). Petals yellow, glabrous; lateral petals with the claw 2–2.5 mm long, limb 6–7(–8) mm long and wide, orbicular, margin of anterior-lateral petals subentire, margin of posterior-lateral petals subentire or minutely and irregularly denticulate, teeth to 0.1(–0.2) mm long; posterior petal with the claw (2.2–)2.5–3 mm long and thicker than that of lateral petals, limb 5.5–6 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin irregularly denticulate-fimbriate (sometimes coarsely), teeth/fimbriae to 0.5 mm long, longest at apex, diminishing toward base,
Fig. 4  *Hiraea reclinata* Jacq. a. Leafy branch; b. petiole with a pair of stipules, adaxial view; c. base of lamina and apex of petiole with glands, abaxial view; d. detail of lamina, adaxial view; e. detail of lamina, abaxial view; f. margin of lamina with tiny glands, abaxial view; g. leafless branch bearing inflorescences; h. flower bud; i. posterior-lateral petal; j. posterior petal; k. androecium, stamen fifth from right opposite posterior petal; l. anthers, abaxial view (left) and adaxial view (right); m. gynoecium, anterior style in centre; n. terminal portion of a style; o. samara, adaxial view; p. nut of samara bearing dorsal winglet (from: a–n. H.H. Smith 1508 p.p. [collected in March], MICH; o, p. H.H. Smith 1508 p.p. [collected in June], NY). — Scale bar: a, g = 4 cm; b–e, h, p = 8 mm; f = 4 mm; i, j = 2 cm; k, m = 2.7 mm; l = 2 mm; n = 1.3 mm; o = 1.6 cm. — Drawn by Karin Douthit.
occasionally gland-tipped. Stamens glabrous, filaments basally connate. Stamen opposite anterior sepal: filament 3.5–4.5 mm long, anther 1.1–1.3 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral petals: filaments 3–3.5 mm long, anthers 0.5–0.7(–0.9) mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral sepals: filaments 3–3.7 mm long, anthers 0.6–1.3 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral petals: filaments 2–2.8 mm long, anthers 0.5–0.8(–1) mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral sepals: filaments 3–4 mm long, anthers 0.7–1 mm long; stamen opposite posterior petal: filament 2–2.5 mm long, anther 0.5–0.7 mm long. Styles incurved, glabrous; anterior style 3.2–4.2 by 0.4–0.5 mm, apex extended into a spur (0.05–)0.2–0.3 mm long; posterior styles (3–)3.5–4.2 by 0.4–0.5 mm, apex extended into a spur (0.05–)0.1–0.2 mm long. Ovary 1.2–1.5 mm long, densely villous. Samara butterfly-shaped; lateral wings (1.5–)2.5–3.3 by 1.5–2.3 cm; dorsal wing or crest 0.2–4.5 mm high, subentire or erose or coarsely dentate; nut subspherical, 3.5–4.5 mm diam, areole 1.5–2 mm diam. Embryo subspherical to spheri- cal, 3.6–4.2 mm diam.

Distribution — Western and southern Mexico, Central America, northern Colombia.

Habitat & Phenology — In wet and dry primary and secondary forest, often along rivers and streams, also in thickets and scrub; sea level to 860(–1000) m; collected in flower and fruit mostly from January through June, a few flowering collections from September to November.

Notes — Hiraea reclinata is greatly variable throughout its diverse habitats and broad range, from southern Mexico to northern Colombia. Typical plants have leaves with short peti- oles and elliptical to obovate, glabrous laminas with a cordate to auriculate base and a mucronate apex. The petiole bears a pair of glands at or near the apex, but occasionally the glands are absent, even among some leaves of the same branch. The stipules are usually borne at the middle to basal 1/4 of the petiole. The laminas of emergent leaves bear straight to wavy hairs that are mostly sessile or subsessile and are usually soon shed, more gradually abaxially than adaxially and sometimes patchily, but hairs are often retained on and along the costa and the proximal secondary veins abaxially. Whereas the adaxial vesture is initially dense, usually even the youngest leaves are axially only sparsely pubescent, except for the major veins and along the margins. Occasionally, the vesture is more tardily shed, and mature laminas are thinly and/or patchily sericeous (the epidermis always visible) abaxially or rarely on both surfaces (e.g., J.D. Smith 2547, Escuintla, Guatemala; Matuda 2181, Chiapas, Mexico).

The inflorescence is a single ternate cyme of 4-flowered umbels, which is commonly sub sessile, but may be borne on an axis to 5 mm long. The peduncles bearing the umbels also are mostly short but occasionally measure 10 mm or more.

Less variation is shown in the flowers, except in the ornamenta- tion of the styles. In most flowers the styles bear a pronounced spur 0.2–0.3 mm long, that of the anterior is usually longer than those of the posterior styles; however, occasionally the spur is barely expressed and only c. 0.05 mm long.

Niedenzu (1906) followed Jussieu (1840, 1843) and Grisebach (1860), who applied the name H. reclinata to collections from Trinidad and Tobago that belong to H. hookeriana, a species with distinctive bullate leaves and abaxial vesture composed of mostly T-shaped hairs. In his monograph of the family, Niedenzu (1928) changed his interpretation by adding three collections from Colombia: Schilim 524 (H. transiens) and H.H. Smith 1515, 1516 (H. reclinata). He used the name H. obovata for collections from Central America now assigned to H. reclinata and erected H. borealis to accommodate two Gaumer collections, from Roatán Island (Islas de la Bahía, Honduras) and Cozumel Island (Quintana Roo, Mexico). Hiraea borealis was subsequently often applied to specimens of H. reclinata from Mexico.

A neotype is chosen here for H. reclinata, because no authentic material was found. Specimens of the neotype collection are all labelled as dating from March; the NY duplicate also carries the perforated collection tag with the years ‘1898–99’. An additional specimen at NY labelled H.H. Smith 1508 is dated as ‘May 30’ and not part of the neotype gathering. See Allen (1904) and Ayers & Boufford (1988) for details of H.H. Smith’s collecting activities in Colombia.

Niedenzu (1906) cited two syntypes for H. obovata var. angustifolia, J.D. Smith 2554 from Guatemala and Tonduz 13955 from Costa Rica. Because his variety is defined by leaf and calyx characters, the duplicate of Tonduz 13955 at US is here designated as lectotype. Niedenzu noted that the Guatemalan specimen he saw (now destroyed) lacked leaves.

5. Hiraea sanctae-marthaef C.V.Morton — Fig. 5; Map 8
Hiraea sanctae-marthaef C.V.Morton (1933) 87. — Type: Walker 1211 (holo US; iso MO, WIS), Colombia, Magdalena, Rio Frío, Quebrada Rodríguez, Santa Marta, 15 Mar. 1925.

Woody vine to 8 m or shrub to 3 m; stems densely sericeous when young, becoming glabrous. Leaves opposite. Laminas
of the larger leaves 6.5–20 by 3–8.5 cm, elliptical to obovate, apex mucronate, base slightly cordate, adaxially sericeous when very young, soon glabrous, abaxially densely silvery sericeous and the epidermis hidden, hairs 0.3–1.2 mm long, sessile or subsessile, straight or wavy, with age the vesture thinning and older laminas becoming thinly sericeous and eventually glabrate; margin without glands or sometimes with a few scattered glands c. 0.2 mm diam near apex; costa and secondary veins not or slightly impressed adaxially, prominent abaxially. Petioles 3–8 by c. 2 mm, densely sericeous, with a pair of glands at apex, each gland 0.7–1.2 mm long. Stipules 1.5–3 mm long, borne at base of petiole. Inflorescences solitary axillary ternate cymes of 4-flowered umbels; umbel without a gland in the centre; inflorescence axis 0–1.5 mm long, bracts 0.8–1.7 and wide; central peduncle 1–6 mm long; lateral axis 0–0.5 mm long, subtended by bracts 1.2–2 mm long and wide; lateral peduncles 0.5–7.5 mm long; bracts and bracteoles subtending pedicels 1–2 mm and wide, triangular; pedicels 11–25 by c. 0.3 mm; axes, abaxial surface of bracts and bracteoles, and pedicels densely sericeous. Sepals 1.8–2.2 by 1–1.5 mm, triangular, adaxially glabrous, abaxially sericeous; anterior sepal eglandular, the lateral four biglandular, glands c. 1.5 mm long, prominent, or all sepals eglandular, or all sepals glandular. Petals yellow, glabrous; lateral petals with the claw 2–2.5 mm long, limb of anterior-lateral petals 5.5–6.5 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin subentire, limb of posterior-lateral petals 5–5.5

Fig. 5  *Hiraea sanctae­marthae* C.V.Morton  a. Branch bearing inflorescences and at apex a flush of new leaves; b. large leaf, abaxial view; c. detail showing dense abaxial vesture of lamina and a pair of glands at apex of petiole; d. detail showing stipules borne at base of petioles; e. inflorescence; f. posterior petal; g. posterior-lateral petal; h. anterior-lateral petal; i. androecium, stamen second from left opposite posterior petal; j. gynoecium, anterior style in centre (from: a. Haught 3743, US; b–h. Smith 1514, GH; i–j. Walker 1211, US). — Scale bar: a–b = 4 cm; c–d = 8 mm; e = 1 cm; f–h = 4 mm; i–j = 2.7 mm. — Drawn by Karin Douthit.
mm long and wide, orbicular, margin minutely and irregularly denticulate, especially distally, sometimes subentire; posterior petal with the claw c. 2.5 mm long and thicker than that of lateral petals, limb c. 5 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin irregularly dentate-fimbriate, teeth/fimbriae 0.2–0.3(–0.5) mm long. Stamens glabrous, filaments basally connate. Stamen opposite anterior sepal: filament 3.5–5 mm long, anther 1.1–1.3 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral petals: filaments 3–4 mm long, anthers 0.8–1 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral sepal: filaments 3.5–4 mm long, anthers 1–1.3 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral petals: filaments 2.5–3 mm long, anthers (0.5–)0.8 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral sepal: filaments 3–4 mm long, anthers 0.8–1 mm long; stamen opposite posterior petal: filament 2–2.5 mm long, anther 0.5–0.6 mm long. Styles incurved, glabrous, 3–3.5 by 0.4–0.5 mm; apex of anterior style extended into a spur c. 0.3 mm long; apex of posterior styles extended into a spur 0.1–0.2 mm long. Ovary 1–1.5 mm long, densely villose. Mature samara not seen; immature samara butterfly-shaped, dorsal wing present.

Distribution — Northern Colombia (Atlántico, Cesar, Magdalena).

Habitat & Phenology — In dry forest and thickets; sea level to 200 m; collected in flower in April and October, in young fruit in May.

Notes — Flowering and fruiting specimens of *H. sanctae-marthae* are easily distinguished from all other species here discussed by the silvery appressed vesture on the abaxial surface of the laminas, which is so dense that the epidermis is hidden. Yet, this distinctive vesture eventually thin. Old leaves become abaxially thinly sericeous to eventually glabrate, they may appear glabrous to the unaided eye and lead to confusion with *H. reclinata*. The retained hairs are generally aligned and parallel, unlike in *H. reclinata*, where the retained hairs are scattered. Also, in *H. sanctae-marthae* the stipules are at the base of the petiole. Three collections by Gentry and collaborators from Cesar are sterile and show the transition of the abaxial indumentum. This change is especially well shown in Gentry *et al.* 60742 (MO), which consists of two branches, one of which terminates in a young internode with a smaller leaf that shows the typical dense vesture; the other leaves show the gradual thinning. Such an abrupt change in abaxial vesture from very dense to glabrescent or glabrous is also observed in some other species of *Hiraea*, e.g., *H. idroboana* Cuatrec., *H. buntingii* W.R. Anderson, and other Malpighiaceae, e.g., *Stigmaphyllon crenatum* C.E. Anderson (C. Anderson 1997). Collections of *H. sanctae-marthae* with the dense abaxial vesture evident have been misidentified as *H. velutina*, and those in which the vesture was not obvious as *H. hookeriana* or *H. reclinata*.

The holotype and WIS isotype are numbered ‘1211’, but the MO duplicate is numbered ‘11’. All other data agree, and the specimens appear to be from the same gathering.

6. *Hiraea silvicola* C.E. Anderson, sp. nov. — Fig. 6; Map 9

Differs from *H. ternifolia* folius oppositis, stylis basi pubescentibus, et petalo postico late triangularis, c. 4 mm lonto et lato. — Type: Lobo *et al.* 307 (holo MICH; iso MG), Brazil, Maranhão, Mpio. Santa Luzia, margens da estrada da Fazenda Cacicue já próximo a ferrovia Carajás, 17 Mar. 1983.

Etymology. The specific epithet refers to the forest habitat.

Scandent shrub to 5 m; stems densely sericeous when young, becoming glabrous. Leaves opposite. Lamina of the larger leaves 6.5–17.5 by 3.5–12 cm, elliptical to obovate, apex obtuse- or emarginate-mucronate or sometimes apiculate, base acute to truncate, adaxially sericeous when very young, soon glabrous, abaxially villosulous, hairs V- or Y-shaped, stalk to 0.05 mm long, arms 0.1–0.2 mm long; margin with scattered glands 0.2–0.3 mm diam in distal 1/4–3/4 or only a few near apex or glands absent; costa and secondary veins not impressed adaxially, prominent abaxially. Petioles 7–15.5 by 1.5–2 mm, densely villosulous, with a pair of glands at apex to 1.5 mm below apex, each gland 0.7–1 mm long. Stipules 2–3 mm long, borne at middle to basal 1/4 of petiole. Inflorescences solitary axillary ternate cymes of 4-flowered umbels; umbel without a gland in the centre; inflorescence axis 0.5–1 mm long, bracts c. 1 mm long and wide; lateral peduncles sessile like the central one; peduncules 2–5 mm long; bracts and bracteoles subterminal pedicels 1–1.2 by 0.8–1 mm; pedicels 10–13 by 0.5 mm; axes, abaxial surface of bracts and bracteoles, and pedicels densely sericeous. Sepals 1.7–1.8 by c. 2 mm, broadly triangular, adaxially glabrous, abaxially sericeous; anterior sepal eglandular, the lateral four biglandular, glands c. 1.5 mm long. Petals yellow, glabrous; lateral petals with the claw 2–2.3 mm long, limb of anterior-lateral petals c. 6 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin subentire, limb of posterior-lateral petals c. 5.5 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin subentire; posterior petal with the claw c. 3 mm long and thicker than that of lateral petals, limb c. 4 mm long and wide, broadly triangular, margin glandular-digitate-fimbriate, fimbriae to 0.4(–0.5) mm long. Stamens glabrous, filaments basally connate. Stamen opposite anterior sepal: filament c. 2.5 mm long, anther c. 1.1 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral petals: filaments c. 2.1 mm long, anthers c. 1.1 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral petals: filaments c. 2.5 mm long, anthers c. 1.1 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral petals: filaments c. 2 mm long, anthers c. 0.9 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral sepal: filaments c. 2.5 mm long, anthers c. 1 mm long.

Map 8 Distribution of *Hiraea sanctae-marthae* C.V. Morton (▲) and *Hiraea transiens* Nied. (●).
long; stamen opposite posterior petal: filament c. 1.6 mm long, anther c. 0.6 mm long. Styles incurved, 3–3.5 by c. 0.3 mm, anterior style with scattered hairs in the proximal 1/3–1/2, apex extended into a spur c. 0.2 mm long; posterior styles with scattered hairs in the proximal 1/4, apex extended into a spur c. 0.1 mm long. Ovary c. 1 mm long, densely villous. Mature samara not seen; immature samara butterfly-shaped, dorsal wing present.

Distribution — Brazil (Maranhão, Pará). Habitat & Phenology — In forest; collected in flower in March, in young fruit in October.


Note — Collections of *H. silvicola* were tentatively placed with *H. ternifolia* only because the laminas are abaxially persistently though finely velutinous. The hairs that compose the vesture range from sessile (V-shaped) to having a tiny stalk at most 0.05 mm long (Y-shaped); T-shaped hairs are absent. *Hiraea silvicola* also differs in its opposite phyllotaxy, leaves, and inflorescences. The laminas are adaxially sericeous when young and not bullate when mature. The inflorescence is a solitary ternate cyme with all umbels 4-flowered. In most species the lateral peduncles are usually borne on a rudimentary lateral axis, but in *H. silvicola* the peduncles are all sessile (Fig. 6d).

7. *Hiraea ternifolia* (Kunth) A.Juss. — Fig. 7; Map 10

*Hiraea ternifolia* (Kunth) A.Juss. (1840) 257. — *Malpighia ternifolia* Kunth (1822’1821) 146. — *Hiraea ternifolia* (Kunth)A.Juss. var. granatensis Nied. (1906) 10, nom. superfl. — *Hiraea ternifolia* (Kunth) A.Juss. var. granatensis Nied. subvar. humboldtiana Nied. (1906) 10, nom. superfl. — Type: Humboldt & Bonpland s.n. (holo P-HBK; iso P), Colombia, Cundinamarca, prope Pandi.


Woody vine to 2 m or small tree to 6 m; stems densely velutinous when young, becoming glabrous. *Leaves* ternate or sometimes...
Fig. 7 Hiraea ternifolia (Kunth) A. Juss. a. Stem apex with ternate leaves; b. large leaf, adaxial view; c. base of lamina and apex of petiole with a pair of glands (almost hidden by vesture) and a pair of stipules, adaxial view; d. detail showing abaxial vesture of mature lamina; e. trinerved cyme, the lateral umbels of each ternate unit in bud; f. ternate cyme; g. posterior petal; h. posterior-lateral petal; i. anterior-lateral petal; j. androecium, first stamen at right opposite posterior petal; k. gynoecium, anterior style at right; l. samara, abaxial view; m. embryo (from: a. García Barriga 11845, NY; b–d. García Barriga 11697, NY; e, g–k. Uribe U. 2987, US; f. Schlim 515, P; k–l. Whitefoord & Eddy 486, MO). — Scale bar: a–b = 4 cm; c = 8 mm; d = 4 mm; e–f, l = 2 cm; g–i, m = 5.7 mm; j–k = 2.7 mm. — Drawn by Karin Douthit.
opposite. Laminas of the larger leaves 7–19 by 3.5–9.5 cm, elliptical to slightly obovate, apex mucronate or apiculate, base truncate to slightly cordate, mature laminas coriaceous and bullate, adaxially velutinous, eventually glabrescent, abaxially velutinous, hairs mostly Y-shaped but mixed with V-shaped hairs, stalk of Y-shaped hairs to 0.02–0.2 mm long, arms of Y- and V-shaped hairs 0.05–0.4 mm long, often unequal; margin with scattered glands 0.2–0.3 mm diam in distal 1/4–1/3(–1/2); costa and secondary veins impressed adaxially, prominent abaxially. Petioles 6–25 by 2–3.5 mm, densely velutinous, with a pair of glands at apex to 2 mm below apex, each gland 1–1.2 mm long. stipules 2.5–5.5 mm long, borne usually at the middle or sometimes to basal 1/3 of the petiole (or nearer the base; Chocó, Darién). Inflorescences 1–2 per leaf axil, basically a ternate cyme bearing 4–6-flowered umbels but often additionally branched, the most complex (Fig. 7e) composed of three ternate units (Fig. 7f), at times not all axes expressed and the inflorescence then various; umbels without a gland in the centre, sometimes loosely arranged and bearing the 5th and/or 6th pedicel and associated bract and bracteoles on the peduncle below the 4 terminal flowers; inflorescence axis 0–9.5 mm long, bracts 1.5–2.5 mm long and wide; secondary axes 0–5.5 mm long, subtended by bracts 1.2–2 mm long and wide; peduncles 0.5–9 mm long; pedicels 18–30 (to 35 mm in fruit) by 0.4–0.5 mm, densely covered with sessile to T-shaped hairs (starch to 0.1 mm); axes and abaxial surface of bracts and bracteoles densely sericeous. Sepals 2.2–2.5 mm long and wide, triangular, adaxially glabrous, abaxially sericeous; anterior sepal eglandular, the lateral four biglandular, glands 1.5–1.6 mm long, or all sepals eglandular. Petals yellow, glabrous; lateral petals with the claw 2.5–3 mm long, limb of anterior-lateral petals 7–8 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin subentire to irregularly shallowly denticulate, teeth to 0.05(–0.1) mm long; limb of posterior-lateral petals 6–7 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin denticulate, teeth to 0.3(–0.5) mm long; posterior petal with the claw 3–3.5 mm long and thicker than that of lateral petals, limb 5.5–6.5 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin glandular-digitate-fimbriate, fimbriate to 0.8–1 mm long, longest at apex. Stipules glabrous, filaments basally connate. Stamen opposite anterior sepal: filament 3.5–4.5 mm long, anther 1.2–1.3 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral petals: filaments 3–4 mm long, anthers 0.8–1 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral sepals: filaments 3.3–3.7 mm long, anthers 1–1.2 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral petals: filaments 2.5–3.5 mm long, anthers 0.8–1 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral sepals: filaments 3–3.1 mm long, anthers 1–1.1 mm long; stamen opposite posterior petal: filament 2–2.8 mm long, anther 0.6–0.7 mm long. Styles glabrous, 3–3.7 by 0.4–0.5 mm; anterior style slightly incurved, apex extended into a spur 0.1–0.2 mm long; posterior styles incurved, apex extended into a spur 0.05–0.1 mm long. Ovary 1–1.5 mm long, densely villous. Samara butterfly-shaped; lateral wings 2.8–3.2 by 2–2.2 cm; dorsal wing or crest 0.2–0.5 mm high, coarsely dentate; nut subspherical, 4.5–5.5 mm diam, areole 2.2–3 mm diam. Embryo subspherical to spherical, 4.5–4.7 mm diam.

Distribution — Panama (Darién), Colombia (Cesar, Cundinamarca, Chocó, Meta, Norte de Santander, Tolima), Venezuela (Mérida).

Habitat & Phenology — Lowland forest; 150–1700 m; collected in flower February to May, July, September, and December, in fruit in March, May, September, and November.

Notes — Hiraea ternifolia is unusual in its ternate phylloxy, complex inflorescences, and the velutinous vesture covering nearly all vegetative structures. As a rule the leaves are ternate but sometimes are opposite. For example, Lehmann 4636 is one of two syntype collections of H. velutina; the duplicate that Niedenzu saw at B (destroyed, photo F) consists of a leafy branch that is ternate, and a leafless flowering sprig with opposite leaf scars. The duplicates at K and US consist of branches with opposite leaves. Another example is found among the duplicates of Whitefoord & Eddy 486. The sheet at F consists of three branches, one of which has opposite leaves; the specimens at MEXU and MO are all ternate. The ternate arrangement is also found in the compound inflorescences, which may be triternate (Fig. 7e); however, not all axes are necessarily expressed, and the inflorescences vary from ternate cymes to variously branched complex units. The central umbel is usually 4-flowered, but the lateral umbels are often 6-flowered, as is sometimes the central umbel as well. The laminas are velutinous on both surfaces; the adaxial vesture is eventually sloughed off though mostly retained on the costa, but the abaxial hairs are persistent. Mature laminas are bullate, with the costa and secondary veins deeply impressed adaxially. Cuatrecasas (1958) indicated the COL duplicate of Triana s.n. [5568-3] as isotype of Hiraea ternifolia var. eglandulosa. Yet, this collection is one of three syntypes cited by Triana & Planchon (1862), and therefore Cuatrecasas’s choice is one of lectotypification. Triana’s and Planchon’s types for the names published in 1862 are at P, and the specimen at P is thus the lectotype.

8. Hiraea transiens Nied. — Fig. 8; Map 8

Hiraea transiens Nied. (1906) 8. — Type: Triana s.n. (lecto, designated by W.R. Anderson 2007a: G; islecto BM, COL, K, NY), Colombia, Chocó, istmo de San Pablo [= Istmina], 100 m, 1853 (Dugand 1944).

Woody vine to 1 m or scandent shrub to 2 m; stems sericeous when young, soon glabrous. Leaves opposite. Laminas of the larger leaves 7.5–18 by 5–8 cm, elliptical to broadly obovate, apex mucronate to acuminate-mucronate, base acute to briefly truncate, adaxially sericeous when very young but soon glabrous, abaxially appearing glabrous to the naked eye but sparsely and finely sericeous, eventually patchily glabrescent, oldest laminas glabrous but often hairs retained on and along the costa and secondary veins, the hairs 0.1–0.3(–0.5) mm long, sessile, straight; marginal glands absent or sometimes with scattered glands 0.2 mm or less diam near apex; costa and secondary veins not or slightly impressed adaxially, prominently abaxially. Petioles 8–13.5 by 1.5–1.8 mm, densely sericeous, with a pair of glands at apex or 1–1.5 mm below apex, each gland 0.6–1.2 mm long. Stipules 2–3.5 mm long, borne at middle to distal 1/4 of petiole. Inflorescences 1–2 axillary binate cymes of 4-flowered umbels; umbel without a central gland; inflorescence axis 2–8 mm long, bracts 1–2 by 1–1.5 mm; central peduncle 3–7.5 mm long; lateral axes to 3 mm long.
subtended by bracts 0.5 by 1.5 mm, each lateral axis terminating in three sessile peduncles 2.5–7.5 mm long, bracts 0.5 by 1.5 mm; bracts and bracteoles subtending pedicels 0.5 by 1.5 mm; pedicels 9.5–14 by 0.3 mm; axes, abaxial surface of bracts and bracteoles, and pedicels densely sericeous; sometimes an additional lateral peduncle 2–5.5 mm long inserted below one or both lateral axes. Sepals 1.5–2 mm long and wide, triangular, adaxially glabrous, abaxially sericeous; anterior sepal eglandular, the lateral four biglandular, glands 1.3–1.5 mm long, or all eglandular. Petals yellow, glabrous; lateral petals with the claw 2–2.5 mm long; limb of anterior-lateral petals 5–6.5 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin subentire to irregularly minutely denticulate, limb of posterior-lateral petals 4.5–5.5 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin subentire to irregularly minutely denticulate especially toward apex, teeth to 0.01 mm long; posterior petal with the claw c. 3 mm long and thicker than that of lateral petals, limb 4–5 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin glandular-dentate-fimbriate, fimbriae to 0.5 mm long. Stamens glabrous, filaments basally connate. Stamen opposite anterior sepal: filament (2.5–)3.5 mm long,
Fig. 9  Hiraea trianae C.E. Anderson.  a. Flowering branch; b. large leaf, adaxial view; c. base of lamina and apex of petiole with a pair of glands (almost hidden by vesture) and a pair of stipules, adaxial view; d. detail showing abaxial vesture of mature lamina; e. detail showing dense adaxial vesture of young lamina; f. posterior petal; g. posterior-lateral petal; h. anterior-lateral petal; i. androecium, first stamen at left opposite posterior petal; j. gynoecium, anterior style at left (from: a–d, f–g, Barclay et al. 3474, US; e. Triana s.n., G). — Scale bar: a–b = 4 cm; c = 8 mm; d–e = 4 mm; f–h = 6.7 mm; i–j = 2.7 mm. — Drawn by Karin Douthit.
anther (1.1–)1.5 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral petals: filaments (2.1–)2.8–3 mm long, anthers (0.8–)1.1–1.3 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral sepals: filaments (2.5–)3.3–3.5 mm long, anthers 1–1.3 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral petals: filaments (1.5–)2.5–2.6 mm long, anthers (0.8–)1.2 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral sepals: filaments (2.5–)3.3–3.5 mm long, anthers 0.8–1 mm long; stamen opposite posterior-petal: filament 1.5–2.3 mm, anther 0.5–0.6 mm long. Styles slightly incurved, glabrous, (2.5–)3.5–4 by c. 0.4 mm; apex of anterior style extended into a spur 0.1–0.2 mm long; apex of posterior styles extended into a spur 0.05–0.1 mm long. Ovary 0.8–1 mm long, densely villous. Mature *samara* not seen; immature *samara* butterfly-shaped, dorsal wing present.

**Distribution** — Northern Colombia (Antioquia, Chocó, Norte de Santander) and northern Venezuela (Distrito Federal, Miranda).

**Habitat & Phenology** — In forest, one collection (Acevedo et al. 8863) from mangrove swamp; sea level to 200 m; collected in flower in February to April, June, September, November, in young fruit in February.

**Note** — *Hiraea transiens* is partly sympatric with *H. reclinata* and is often misidentified as that species (or ‘*H. obovata*’). The abaxial surface of the lamina looks glabrous to the naked eye but is covered with tiny appressed hairs, mostly 0.1–0.2 mm long. The hairs are eventually abraded. The oldest leaves are mostly glabrous, although often some hairs are retained along the costa and secondary veins, especially toward the base. *Hiraea transiens* also differs from *H. reclinata* in its bitemate inflorescences, which sometimes bear one or two additional pedunculate umbels below the lateral axes (Fig. 8d).

**9. Hiraea trianae** C.E.Anderson, *sp. nov.* — Fig. 9; Map 4

Differnt a *H. ternifolia* folius opposit, laminae adaxaliter sericeae, et petalo postico margine apice digitto-fimbriato basi denticulato. — Type: *Barclay et al. 3474* (holo US; iso COL, US, WAG). Colombia, Cundinamarca, S of Silvania on toll road to Fusagasugá, near km 37, turn W and proceed for 4 km on road to Tibacuy, 1300 m, 30 May 1972.

**Hiraea ternifolia** (Kunth) A.Juss. var. robustior Cuatrec. (1958) 401. — Type: *Garcia-Barja 12313* (hola US, iso COL, US); Colombia, Cundinamarca, al oeste de Guadas, camino de herradura entre Guadas y el Alto de Aguacalera, hacienda ‘Paramillo’, 1040–1320 m, 24 July 1947.

**Hiraea ternifolia** (Kunth) A.Juss. var. robustior Cuatrec. forma glandulosa Cuatrec. (1958) 401. — Type: *Mutis 2060* (hola US; iso MA, online image), Colombia, without locality. Etyology. The specific epithet honours José Jerónimo Triana (1834–1890), whose collections and writings greatly advanced comprehension of the Colombian flora.

Wooly vine to 30 m; stems densely sericeous when young, becoming glabrous. Leaves opposite. Laminas of the larger leaves 7.5–17 by 4.5–9.5 cm, elliptical, apex mucronate, base truncate to slightly cordate, mature laminas coriaceous and bullate, adaxially with sessile to subsessile hairs when young, soon glabrescent to glabrous but with some hairs retained on and along the costa and secondary veins, abaxially velutinous mixed with scattered T-shaped hairs, stalk to 0.2 mm long, arms of Y-shaped hairs 0.1–0.3 mm long, trabeula of T-shaped hairs 0.5–1.5 mm long, often crissed and intertwined; margin with scattered glands 0.2–0.3 mm diam in distal 1/4–1/2; costa and secondary veins impressed adaxially, prominently abaxially. Petioles 11–23 by 2–3 mm, densely velutinous, with a pair of glands at apex to 3 mm below apex, each gland 0.8–1.3 mm long, sometimes glands absent. Stipules 2.2–4 mm long, borne at middle to distal 1/4 of petiole. Inflorescences 1–2 axillary tertiary cymes, central umbel 4-flowered, lateral umbels 4–6-flowered; umbel without a gland in the centre; inflorescence axis 1–4.5 mm long, bracts 1.5–1.8 mm long and wide; all peduncles sessile but the laterals ones often with a bract c. 1.5 mm long near the base; peduncles 2.5–13.5 mm long; bracts and bracteoles subtending pedicels 1.5–2 by 1.3–1.5 mm; pedicels 19–26 by 0.5–10 mm, densely covered with sessile to T-shaped hairs (stalk to 0.1 mm); axes and abaxial surface of bracts and bracteoles densely sericeous. Sepals 2.2–2.8 mm long and wide, triangular, adaxially glabrous, abaxially sericeous; anterior sepal eglandular, the lateral four biglandular, glands 1–1.5 mm long, or all sepals eglandular. Petals yellow, limb of posterior petal streaked with red, glabrous; lateral petals with the claw 2.5–3 mm long, limb of anterior-lateral petals c. 8 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin subentire, limb of posterior-lateral petals c. 7 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin finely denticulate distally, teeth to 0.1 mm long, subentire proximally; posterior petal with the claw 3.5–4 mm long and thicker than that of lateral petals, limb 6–6.5 mm long and wide, orbicular, margin glandular-digitate-fimbriate at apex, fimbriate to 0.8–1 mm long, grading into denticulate toward the base, the teeth decreasing in size, erose near the base. Stamens glabrous, filaments basally connate. Stamen opposite anterior sepal: filament c. 4 mm long, anther c. 1.3 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral petals: filaments c. 3.5 mm long, anthers 1.2–1.3 mm long; stamens opposite anterior-lateral sepals: filaments c. 3.8 mm long, anthers c. 1.2 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral petals: filaments 2.7–3 mm long, anthers 1.2 mm long; stamens opposite posterior-lateral sepals: filaments 3.5–3.8 mm long, anthers c. 1 mm long; stamen opposite posterior petal: filament c. 2.5 mm long, anther c. 0.9 m long. Styles glabrous, 3.5–3.7 by 0.4–0.5 mm; anterior style slightly incurved, apex extended into a spur 0.1–0.2 mm long; posterior styles incurved, apex extended into a spur 0.05–0.1 mm long. Ovary c. 1.5 mm long, densely villous. *Samara* not seen.

**Distribution** — Colombia (Cundinamarca, Norte de Santander, Tolima).

**Habitat & Phenology** — In forest; 600–1320 m; collected in flower in May and July.

**Notes** — *Hiraea trianae* was first described by Cuatrecasas (1958) as a variety of *H. ternifolia*, with which it shares abaxially velutinous leaves. It is here elevated to species level. It differs from *H. ternifolia* by its abaxial laminar pubescence, composed of sessile to subsessile hairs. The initially dense vesture is sloughed off in patches, and older leaves are glabrescent to eventually glabrous, though some hairs of usually retained along the costa. None of the collections seen exhibit tarmate phyllotaxy. The inflorescence is a simple tarmate cyme, one or two per leaf axil. The posterior petal is glandular-digitate-fimbriate only at the apex; the rest of the margin grades from denticulate to erose toward the base. Cuatrecasas named his variety ‘robustior’ to emphasize the thicker inflorescence axes and pedicels evident in the collections he saw. Yet, all of those have young inflorescences in bud or the flowers beginning to open. As inflorescences mature, the pedicels elongate and become thinner. This transition is well shown in the holotype. The type collection, *Barclay et al. 3474*, was distributed as annotated by Cuatrecasas as *H. sclerophylla* Cuatrec., doubtless owing to an unfortunate error in handling annotation labels. *Hiraea sclerophylla* is immediately separated from *H. trianae* by the appressed abaxial laminar vesture.
Fig. 10 Hiraea venezuelana C.E. Anderson. a. Portion of stem with a large leaf and two inflorescences, each a ternate cyme; b. petiole with a pair of glands and a pair of stipules; c. inflorescence with the lateral branches also ternately branched; d. posterior petal; e. posterior-lateral petal; f. anterior-lateral petal; g. androecium, abaxial view, the stamen fifth from right opposite posterior petal; h. gynoecium, anterior style at left; i. samara, abaxial view; j. detail of samara showing dorsal winglet; k. embryo (from: a, d–h. Benítez de Rojas 2739, MICH; b. Romero 574, MY; c. Saer 473, VEN; i–k. Badillo 1999, MY). — Scale bar: a = 4 cm; b, j = 8 mm; c = 1.3 cm; d–f = 5.7 mm; g, h = 2.7 mm; i = 2 cm; k = 4 mm. — Drawn by Karin Douthit.
10. **Hiraea venezuelana** C.E.Anderson, sp. nov. — Fig. 10; Map 10

Differt a *H. reclinata* umbellis lateraliquis floribus (5–)6; laminae foliorum majorum basi cuneatae vel anguste truncatae, abaxialiter pilos T-formes et pilos appressos ferens. — Type: C. Benitez de Rojas 2739 (holo MICH; iso F, VEN), Venezuela, Aragua, Girardot, Parque Nacional Henri Pittier, por la via hacia Cugaya, Carnevali et al. 513 (VEN); along R. Chuao, Pittier 12160 (A, NY, US, VEN); s.d., Girardot, parroquia Cugaya, Romero 567 (MY); Girardot, parroquia Cugaya, Romero 574 (MY). — Barinas, vicinity of Barinas, Lasser 44 (US); Quebrada de Paraguita, Lasser 66 (VEN). — Lata, entre La Piedad y Sarare, Saer 423 (F, VEN); enter Cujioy y Sarare, Saer 454 (F, VEN). — Yaraucy, Ditto. — Coj. — Fig. 10; Hiraea venezuelana — Fig. 10; H. macrophylla — Fig. 10.

**Habitat & Phenology** — In forest, matroral, and at roadsides; sea level to 1300 m; collected in flower in April and May, in fruit in April through August.

Additional specimens examined. **Venezuela.** Aragua. Rancho Grande, Parque Nacional, Badillo 1999 (MY): 4–5 km NE de Bahia de Cata, por la via hacia Cugaya, Carnevali et al. 513 (VEN); along R. Chuao, Pittier 12160 (A, NY, US, VEN); Girardot, parroquia Cugaya, Romero 567 (MY); Girardot, parroquia Cugaya, Romero 574 (MY). Barinas, vicinity of Barinas, Lasser 44 (US); Quebrada de Paraguita, Lasser 66 (VEN). — Lara, entre La Piedad y Sarare, Saer 423 (F, VEN); enter Cujioy y Sarare, Saer 454 (F, VEN). — Yaraucy, Ditto. — Coj. — Additional specimens examined. **Parque Nacional, Badillo 2000 (MY): 4–5 km NE de Bahia de Cata, por la via hacia Cugaya, Carnevali et al. 513 (VEN); along R. Chuao, Pittier 12160 (A, NY, US, VEN); Girardot, parroquia Cugaya, Romero 567 (MY); Girardot, parroquia Cugaya, Romero 574 (MY). — Barinas, vicinity of Barinas, Lasser 44 (US); Quebrada de Paraguita, Lasser 66 (VEN). — Lara, entre La Piedad y Sarare, Saer 423 (F, VEN); enter Cujioy y Sarare, Saer 454 (F, VEN). — Yaraucy, Ditto.

**Note** — *Hiraea venezuelana* is distinctive in its inflorescences. The terminal cymes, 1–2 per axis, bear (5–)6 flowers in the lateral umbels. Leafless flowering branches may have some condensed biterinate cymes mixed in among the ternate cymes (e.g., *Pittier 12180, Romero 574, Saer 423*). In such biterinate cymes, all umbels are 4-flowered, and the most distal umbels are essentially sessile (Fig. 10c). *Hiraea venezuelana* superficially resembles *H. reclinata*, but the young laminas are abaxially covered with a mixture of sessile, sub sessile, and T-shaped hairs. In *H. reclinata* the hairs are appressed, and all umbels are 4-flowered. The petioles of *H. venezuelana* have a pair of glands sometimes at the apex but mostly on the petiole, up to 2 mm below the apex, and the pair of stipules is placed at the middle to the distal 1/3.

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