

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, Bellbird Creek north of Eden



Flower heads. Photographer Richard Spellenberg, California, USA



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer JMI Randall, USA

## Common name

Crofton weed

## Family

Asteraceae

## Where found

**Forest, woodland**, grassy areas, roadsides, disturbed sites and along streams. Coastal. Ranges and the eastern edge of the tablelands north of Nowra.

## Notes

**Introduced** upright **perennial** herb or **shrub** to 3 m tall, producing numerous stems from a woody rootstock. Stems green, reddish or purplish, sticky hairy when young. Leaves opposite each other, 4-15 cm long, 30-90 mm wide, mostly hairless, margins toothed, tips pointed. Flower **heads** 2-8 mm in diameter, bell shaped, with 40-50 white **florets** with 0 '**petals**', in crowded clusters. Flowers all year.

General Biosecurity Duty all NSW.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Ageratina-adenophora> (accessed 2 January, 2021)

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