

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and buds. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, near Goulburn



Flowering plant. Photographer Don Wood, Trunketabella Creek, near Bodalla

## Common name

Water plantain

## Family

Alismataceae

## Where found

In shallow freshwater or mud above the receding water line in a range of **habitats**, along streams. Widespread. No records from Kosciuszko National Park, and few from the Western Slopes and tablelands.

## Notes

**Perennial** or **annual** herb to 1.5 m high. Leaves at the base of the plant, 5-28 cm long, 30–130 mm wide, on long stalks, surfaces usually with 7 prominent parallel longitudinal **veins** connected by numerous transverse veins, bases rounded to **cordate**. Flowers about 5-10 mm in diameter, pale pink to almost white, with 3 **petals**. Flowers in large open branched clusters. Flowers summer to autumn.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

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

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