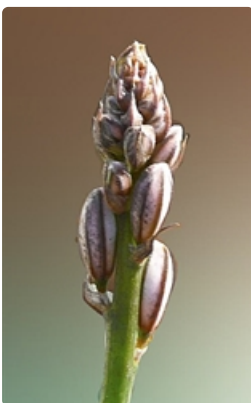


Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower. Photographer Ros N, Melbourne



Flower buds. Photographer Ros N, Melbourne



Flowering plant. Photographer Luigi Rignanese, Italy

Common name

Onion Weed, Asphodel, Wild Onion

Family

Asphodelaceae

Where found

Woodland, shrubland, grasslands, roadsides, disturbed sites, and coastal environs. Mainly Sydney area south to Kiama. Occasionally elsewhere.

Notes

Introduced annual, biennial, or **perennial** herb to 0.8 m tall. Leaves slightly fleshy. Flower stalks hairless, hollow. Leaves clustered at the base of the plant, 3-55 cm long, 1.5-8 mm wide, cylindrical and hollow, plano-convex, or flattened in cross section, surfaces hairless, sometimes somewhat **glaucous**, rough with minute projections along the margins (when present). Flowers white to pale pink, with 6 white to pale pink '**petals**' with a reddish-brown central streak, each 5-12 mm long. Flowers in branched 5-30-flowered clusters. Flowering: chiefly winter-spring.

General Biosecurity Duty all NSW. Noxious weed Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Asphodelus-fistulosus> (accessed 4 January, 2021)

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