Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers. Australian Flant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve, ACT



Flowering stem. Photographer Don Wood, north of Eden



Flow ering plants. Australian Flant Image Index, photographer A Lyne, Mt Taylor, Canberra, ACT

Common name

Milkmaids

Family

Colchicaceae

Where found

Dry forest, woodland, heath, grassy areas, and swamps. Widespread.

Notes

Perennial herb to 0.65 m high, with 1 or 2 somewhat fleshy basal leaves. Leaves 8-60 cm long, 1.5–6 mm wide, linear, hairless. Flowers white or pale pink on the inner face, sometimes pinkish externally, usually with a dark pink to reddish ovary in the centre. Flowers with 6 'petals' 5–12 mm long. Flowers sweetly scented. Umbel 2–9-flowered. Flowers Jul.–Dec.

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=Burchardia~umbellata (accessed 6 January, 2020)

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