

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Spent flowers and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Border Ranges National Park, NSW



Fruiting stem. Photographer Don Wood, Bangalee Reserve west of Nowra



Leaves and tendrils. Photographer Jackie Mies



Plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Chichester State Forest near Gloucester

Common name

Kangaroo Vine, Water Vine

Family

Vitaceae

Where found

Forest and sheltered places. Coast and ranges.

Notes

Woody climber, stems to about 20 m long. Fruit fleshy. Young stems more or less rusty to grey hairy with 2-branched hairs (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see), often becoming hairless with age. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 4–14 cm long, 20–50 mm wide, margins toothed to **entire**, upper surface more or less hairless, lower surface usually rusty-hairy with prominent raised **domatia** in the **vein** angles. Tendrils **simple** or 2-branched. Flowers with 4 white to yellowish green **petals** each about 2 mm long. Flower clusters congested, 1–3 cm long. Flowering: spring–autumn. Grapes purplish to black, globular, about 15 mm in diameter.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswf1&lvl=sp&name=Cissus~antarctica> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

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