

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

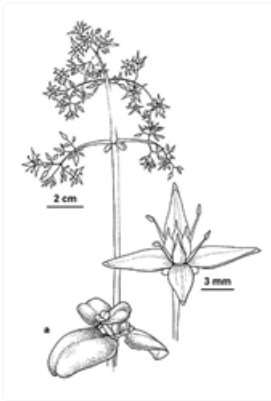
Crassula multicava subsp. *multicava*



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Line drawings, a. flowering stem. MMBir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Shade Crassula

Family

Crassulaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, roadsides, coastal situations, and rocky areas. Garden escape, tolerant of deep shade. Coastal. Also Sydney area away from the coast, and the Blue Mountains.

Notes

Introduced perennial herb to 0.4 m high or sprawling. Stems slightly fleshy, leaves fleshy. Leaves opposite each other, 1.2–5 cm long, 10–40 mm wide, **glaucous**, red-spotted, the leaves of each pair united at the base to form a ridge round the stem, margins **entire**, often yellowish, tips rounded or notched. Flowers white to cream, tinged pink to red, mostly with 4 pointed **petals** 3–5.6 mm long, shortly fused at the base. Flowers in loose clusters. Seeds usually not formed, but flowers sometimes giving rise to vegetatively produced plantlets. Flowers mainly spring.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Crassula~multicava> (accessed 30 April 2021)

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