Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

Common name

A crane's bill

Family

Geraniaceae

Where found

Woodland, often on disturbed sites; chiefly at higher altitudes. North of the Hume Highway. Ranges and the eastern edge of the tablelands.

Notes

Sprawling perennial herb with flowering stems to 50 cm long. Stems hairy with fine hairs with spreading backward pointing hairs. Leaves opposite each other, kidney shaped to more or less round in outline, to 3 cm long and to 40 mm wide, hairy, dissected with 5–7 lobes; the lobes divided again into 3-5 segments. Flowers with 5 white petals each about 5 mm long. Anthers yellow with a purple line. Sepals about 4 mm long 1–2.5 mm wide, with a distinct mucro. Flowers single. Flowering: throughout the year. Seeds black, the surface covered in an elongated network (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see).

PlantNET description with line drawings: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Geranium~graniticola (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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