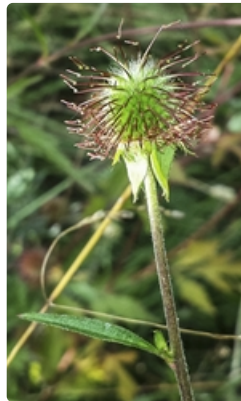


# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



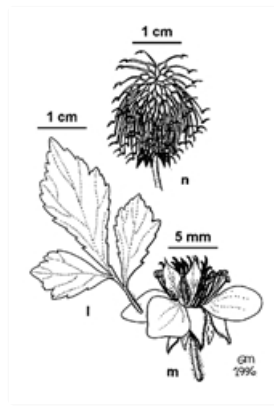
Flower, buds, and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra ACT



Burr. Photographer Russell Best, Kosciuszko National Park



Flowering plants. Photographer Don Wood, Namadji National Park, ACT



Line drawings. l. leaf; m. flower; n. burr. EMMayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

## Common name

Herb Bennet, Common Avens, Avens

## Family

Rosaceae

## Where found

Along streams and on the margins of and in bogs in montane to alpine areas. ACT, the mountains to the west, Kosciuszko National Park, and nearby. Occasionally on the western edge of the ranges/eastern edge of the tablelands.

## Notes

**Perennial** herb to 1 m high, with a short **rhizome**. Stems reddish green, hairy to hairless. 'Seeds' forming burrs with many reddish hooked spines that stick to clothing. Leaves basal and **alternating** up the stems, 4–30 cm long, decreasing in size up the stems, hairy on both surfaces, mainly along the **veins**, **compound** with 3–11 leaflets, or **dissected**, the **segments** irregularly and deeply toothed. **Stipules** leaflike, toothed and mainly 3-lobed, 0.75–2 cm long. Flowers yellow, with 5 **petals** each 4.5–8 mm long. Flowers in few-flowered open clusters, appearing single. Flowering: summer.

Varieties not recognised in NSW.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

PlantNET description (as *Geum urbanum*): <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Geum~urbanum> (accessed 13 April 2021)

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