Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower and leaves. Australian Flant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Mulligans Flat Nature Reserve, ACT



Flowers and leaves. Australian Flant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Mt Ainslie, Canberra



Pods and leaf. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, between Corowa and Mulwala, Vic



Line drawings. e. flowering branch; pod; flowers. M Mbir, National Herbariumof Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Variable glycine, Glycine pea

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Dry forest, woodland, grassy sites, and roadsides. Widespread.

Notes

Creeping or scrambling perennial herb to 0.3 m tall or more, which occasionally twines. Stoloniferous. Stems hairy, bristly, or almost hairless. Leaves alternating up the stems, compound, with 3 leaflets each 0.7-7 cm long and 3-20 mm wide, tips pointed to blunt; upper surface more or less hairless, lower surface more or less bristly. Standard petal 5-12 mm long. Flowers pea shaped, with 5 petals, 2 joined together to form the keel, blue mauve to violet or purple, often with white markings, in clusters of 4-12 flowers, to about 14 cm long. Flowers mainly Spring to Autumn.

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=Glycine~tabacina (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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