

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

Common name

A raspwort

Family

Haloragaceae

Where found

Disturbed areas in wet **forest**. Kosciuszko National Park

Notes

Shrub to 1.2 m high. Stems cylindrical to ridged but not prominently 4-angled, densely covered with fine **spreading** hairs. Leaves opposite each other, **alternating** up the stems on the flowering shoots, 3.5–8.2 cm long, 17–42 mm wide, hairless to sparsely hairy, margins coarsely toothed. Flowers with 4 greenish hooded **petals** each 3.5–4 mm long, and 4 **styles**. Flowers in 3–7-flowered subclusters at the base of small leaves, forming a dense **spike**-like cluster. Seed cases pyramidal to pear shaped, 2–2.8 mm long, 4-ribbed, hairy with short hairs (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see).

Description partly based on: Wilson, Peter G. & Makinson, R.O. (2015), *Haloragis milesiae* (Haloragaceae), a new species from the Australian Alps. *Telopea* 18: 40–42, Fig. 1

PlantNET description with line drawings and photo of dried specimen: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Haloragis~milesiae> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

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