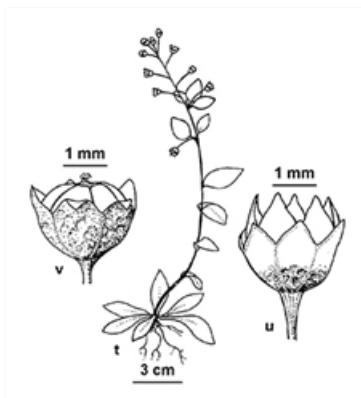


Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering plant. Photographer Jackie Miles



Line drawings (as *Samolus valerandi*). t. plant; u. flower; v. seed case. BM Mayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Common brookweed, Water pimpernel, Brookweed

Family

Primulaceae

Where found

Moist shady situations and freshwater stream margins. Coast, ranges, tablelands, and ACT.

Notes

Perennial, perhaps **annual**, herb to about 0.3 m high. Stems hairless, more or less smooth. Leaves **alternating** up the stems and often in a basal **rosette**, 1–4 cm long, 8–20 mm wide, thin-textured, light green, tips rounded. Flowers white, with 5 **petals** each 1.5–2 mm long, free from each other shortly above the base. Flowers in an elongating cluster, leafless or with leaves **subtending** the lowermost flowers only, to about 12 cm long. Flowers October–May.

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

Rare Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Samolus~valerandi> (accessed 6 February, 2021)

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