

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower and leaves. Photographer Jackie Miles



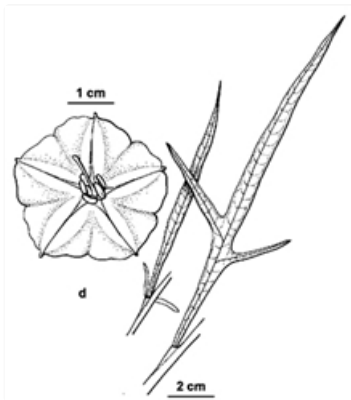
Flowering branch with green fruit. Photographer Jackie Miles



Fruit and leaf. Photographer Ken Thomas, Namadgi National Park, ACT



Flowering shrub. Photographer Jackie Miles



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## Common name

Narrow-leaved Kangaroo Apple, Gonyang

## Family

Solanaceae

## Where found

Forest margins, regrowth, cleared **forest**, dunes, and stream banks. Mainly coast, ranges, tablelands, and ACT, rarely Kosciuszko National Park.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 2 m high. Prickles absent. Fruit fleshy. Stems narrowly **winged** or longitudinally ridged from the leaf stalks continuing down the stems, virtually hairless except for minute **simple** and **glandular** hairs on young growth and flowers. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, deeply lobed or **entire**, hairless, tips pointed. Lobed leaves 10–50 cm long. 90–190 mm wide. Entire leaves 5–18 cm long, 5–15 mm wide. Flowers violet to violet-blue, usually 35–40 mm in diameter, broadly tubular with 5 lobes, to star-shaped, single or in two-

to many-flowered clusters. Fruit greenish or greenish white to cream, round to oval, 20–35 mm in diameter. Flowers winter to summer.  
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=Solanum-vescum>  
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