

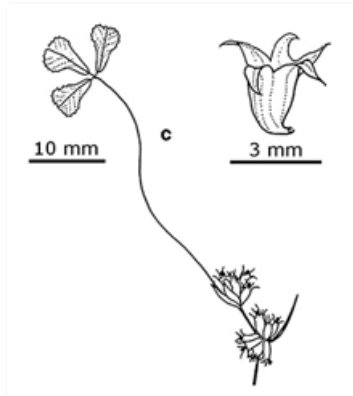
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Spent flowers. Photographer Malcolm Storey, England.



Spent flowers and leaves. Photographer Malcolm Storey, England.



Line drawings. c. leaf; flower head; seeding calyx. M Mbir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Suffocated Clover

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Naturalised. Sydney area and Western Slopes. Occasionally elsewhere.

Notes

Introduced annual herb, **prostrate** or sprawling. **Calyx** teeth blunt. Stems to about 10 cm long, sometimes almost absent, hairless or sparsely hairy. Leaves **alternating** along the stems, **compound**, with 3 leaflets, each 0.3–1.2 cm long, 2–10 mm wide, hairless, margins finely toothed, tips notched; **stipules** largely obscuring the **inflorescence**, and membranous. Flower clusters mostly 1–15-flowered, 3–7 mm long, 5–8 mm wide, stalkless, individual flowers stalkless or almost stalkless. Individual flowers white, 3–4 mm long, pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, persistent at the seeding stage. Flowers mainly Oct.–Dec.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Trifolium-suffocatum> (accessed 3 May 2021)

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