

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Male flowers and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, Australian Tropical Rainforest key



Female flowers and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, Australian Tropical Rainforest key



Fruit. Australian Plant Image Index, Australian Tropical Rainforest key

## Common name

Burny vine Crow ash, Purple crow vine, Fire vine

## Family

Moraceae

## Where found

**Rainforest** and along streams. Coast and ranges north of Bermagui.

## Notes

Woody climber, or a **scrambling shrub** when young. Fruit fleshy. Stems with dense **lenticels**. Young stems hairy, becoming hairless and rough. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 3–12 cm long, 15–50 mm wide, upper surface green and hairless, lower surface paler and more or less rough. Margins on **adult** leaves **entire** or with a few small teeth towards the tips, **juvenile** leaves often toothed or more or less lobed. Male and female flowers on different plants. Flowers small. Male flowers whitish, about 1.5 mm long and wide, with 3–4 '**petals**', in **spikes** 10–40 mm long. Female flowers greenish, the flowers surrounded by overlapping **bracteoles** obscuring the flowers except for the 2-branched reddish **stigmas** protruding through the bracteoles. Female flowers in **heads** about 5 mm in diameter, usually only 1–4 flowers developing fruit. Fruit red, more or less oval, 5–8 mm long. Flowering chiefly spring and summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Trophis~scandens> (accessed 10 February, 2021)

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