

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

## Common name

None

## Family

Apiaceae

## Where found

Cracks and crevices of sandstone cliff faces and on rocky outcrops above the cliffs. Blue Mountains.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 0.2 m high. Bark on mature stems flaking. Young stems **stellate** hairy (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see), appearing grey **woolly**. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, stellate hairy, grey-green above, white below, margins scalloped. **Adult** leaves 0.5–2 cm long, 5–25 mm wide. **Juvenile** leaves **compound**, with 3 leaflets, the **terminal** leaflet 0.5–2 cm long, 5–25 mm wide, **lateral** leaflets 0.3–0.5 cm long, 3–4 mm wide. Individual flowers with 5 white **petals** 1–1.2 mm long, and 5 green or yellow petal-like **sepals** each 1–1.2 mm long. Flowers in 3-13 flowered clusters. Flower clusters may look like individual flowers. 3 **bracteoles** below the clusters, petal-like, yellow, 3–5 mm long. Flower clusters in groups of 2-3. Flowers November–January.

Vulnerable NSW. Provisions of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 No 63 relating to the protection of protected plants generally also apply to plants that are a threatened species.

NSW Threatened Species profile with photo: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedspeciesapp/profile.aspx?id=10842> (accessed 8 January 2021)

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Xanthosia~scopulicola> (accessed 8 January 2021)

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