

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Photographer Jackie Miles



Flowering branch. Photographer Jackie Miles

## Common name

A zieria

## Family

Rutaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, **shrubland**, rocky areas, and gullies. Coast and ranges.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 2 m high. Stems dotted with oil **glands**, hairy with predominantly **stellate** hairs (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see), and with **simple** and 2-armed hairs, becoming hairless. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite each other, **compound**, with 3 leaflets, the central leaflet 0.6–3.5 cm long, 1.5–10 mm wide, tips pointed to blunt, and **mucronate**; margins slightly curved down; upper surface dark green, dotted with oil glands, and mostly hairless; lower surface pale green to whitish, shortly stellate-**tomentose** with scattered longer simple hairs, particularly along the **midvein**. Flowers white to pale pink, with 4 **petals** each 3.5–5 mm long, and with 4 **stamens**. Flower clusters shorter or longer than the leaves, 3–35-flowered. Flowering: Aug.–Oct.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Zieria-compacta> (accessed 12 February, 2021)

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