# **Plants of South Eastern New South Wales**



Flowering stems. Photographers Forest & Kim Starr, Hawaii, USA



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Infestation. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Upper Kangaroo Valley

#### Common name

Mistflower, Creeping Crofton weed

### **Family**

Asteraceae

#### Where found

Forest, grassy areas, roadsides, disturbed damp sites, gullies, and along streams. Coast and ranges north from Jervis Bay.

## **Notes**

Introduced perennial herb or shrub to 1 m tall, sometimes sprawling. Roots at the nodes. Stems sparsely hairy, often reddish or purplish. Leaves opposite each other, 3-15 cm long, 8-30 mm wide, hairy, tips pointed. Flower heads 5-6 mm in diameter, white, with several florets and 0 'petals', in crowded clusters. Flowers Winter to Spring.

General Biosecurity Duty all NSW.

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Ageratina~riparia (accessed 2 January, 2021)

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