

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Common name

Indian Mustard, Brown Mustard, Chinese Mustard, Mustard Greens, Gai Choy

Family

Brassicaceae

Where found

Weed of cultivation and waste places. Mostly Sydney area. Occasional elsewhere.

Notes

Introduced annual herb to 1 m high. Stems almost **erect**, hairless. Leaves to 20 cm long; **glaucous**, basal leaves deeply lobed with 1 or 2 pairs of lobes, the **terminal** lobe larger than the **lateral** lobes. Stem leaves **alternating** up the stems, becoming smaller higher up the stems, eventually almost **entire**. Flowers with 4 **petals** each 7–9 mm long, pale yellow. **Inflorescence** elongating from a flat cluster. Flowers autumn. Seed cases erect or **spreading**, 2–6 cm long (including the **beak**), 2–4 mm wide, more or less 4-angled, constricted between the seeds, **midrib** prominent. Beak 4–12 mm long, seedless. Stalk 5–20 mm long. Seeds yellow, brown or grey.

PlantNET description: <https://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Brassica-x+juncea> (accessed 13 April 2021)

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