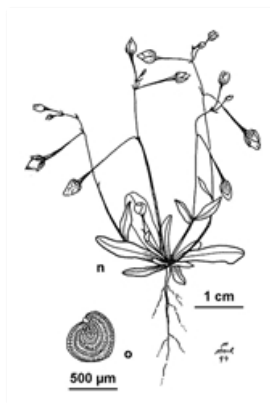


Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering plant. Photographer Don Wood, Mt Tennent, ACT



Line drawings. n. plant; o. seed. MMBir, National Herbarium of Victoria, ©2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Small purslane

Family

Portulacaceae

Where found

Range of **habitats** including dry **forest**, **woodland**, and grassy areas. Widespread but not common.

Notes

Annual or **perennial** herb, **prostrate**, sprawling or to 0.2 m tall. Stems often pink. Leaves fleshy, basal, and **alternating** along the stems, 0.75–5.5 cm long, 2–8 mm wide, almost cylindrical, hairless, bases stem clasping. Stem leaves often absent. Flowers pink, white or purple, with 5 **petals**, each 3–7 mm long, 2–4 mm wide. Flowers in loose clusters. Flowers Winter to Spring.

Identification to species level of *Calandrinia* usually requires microscopic examination of the seeds.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Calandrinia~eremaea> (accessed 6 January, 2020)

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