

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Australian Plant Image Index,  
Australian Tropical Rainforest key



Fruiting stem. Australian Plant Image Index, Australian  
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## Common name

Native celtis, Investigator tree, Silky celtis

## Family

Cannabaceae

## Where found

**Forest**, particularly near streams and in moist gullies. Coastal north of Kiama. Sydney area.

## Notes

Tree to about 4 m tall in the area covered by this key. Fruit fleshy. Bark thin, smooth, with fine vertical ridges, the ridges sometimes blistered. Stems sparsely hairy, becoming hairless. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 5–10 cm long, 20–45 mm wide, margins **entire**, toothed, or scalloped, both surfaces hairless, with fine oil dots, but not aromatic. Male and female flowers on the same plant. Flowers greenish, white, or cream, with 5 '**petals**'. Male flowers in branched clusters with about 30-60 flowers, each flower about 1-1.5 mm in diameter. Female flowers in clusters with about 5-10 flowers, each flower about 2 x 1 mm. Fruit purplish or blue-black to black, ripe Aug.-Mar.

Was Family Ulmaceae.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Celtis-paniculata>  
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