

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



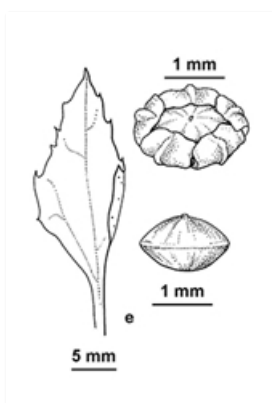
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Stems with flower buds. Photographer Jackie Mles



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## Common name

Nettle-leaf goosefoot, Green fat-hen, Sowbane

## Family

Chenopodiaceae

## Where found

Pastures, disturbed sites, and waste places. Widespread, mainly Sydney area.

## Notes

**Introduced annual** herb to 1.5 m tall. Stems angular, often grooved. Leaves often with an unpleasant odour when rubbed, **alternating** up the stems, 1-8 cm long, 5-50 mm wide, hairless, **scurfy** when young, margins coarsely toothed or shallowly lobed, tips pointed. Flowers bisexual and/or female, green turning red, 1–1.5 mm in diameter, with 5 '**petals**' fused near the base, in branched clusters. Flowers mostly Sep.–May.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Chenopodium~murale> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

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