Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Rowering stems. Australian Rant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Flowering stems, Photographer Don Wood, Bomaderry Creek Regional Reserve near Nowra



Flowering plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, near Bundanoon

Common name

Sprawling Smoke-bush, Slender Wire Lily

Family

Proteaceae

Where found

Woodland and heath, often in damp situations. Coast, ranges, and the eastern edge of the tablelands, north from the Nowra district.

Notes

Shrub to 0.30 m high. Stems rising from a woody base, mostly sprawling, forming tangled grass-like masses. Stems sparsely hairy to hairless. Leaves alternating along the stems, crowded, 8–16 cm long, about 1 mm in diameter, more or less cylindrical, channelled on the upper surface, sparsely hairy to hairless, tips mostly with a curved point. Flowers bluish to mauve, about 4 mm long, tubular, with 4 lobes. Flowers in branched clusters. Flowering: winter-spring.

Hybridises frequently with Conospermum longifolium and Conospermum taxifolium.

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

Author: Betty Wood.

This identification key and fact sheets are available as a free mobile application:





