

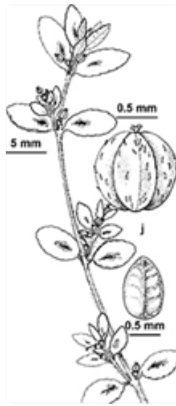
# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers, seed cases, and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, Eurobodalla Regional Botanic Gardens north of Moruya



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Line drawings. h. fruiting branch; seed case; seed. E Mayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

## Common name

Eyebane

## Family

Euphorbiaceae

## Where found

Garden weed, often growing in lawns, cracks, and paths. ACT and Sydney area. Occasional elsewhere.

## Notes

**Introduced annual** herb, **prostrate**, often forming dense mats, stems to 0.3m long, sometimes curving up, more or less hairy. Leaves opposite each other, 0.2-1.3 cm long, 0.5-4 mm wide, often with a central purplish blotch, often tinted red all over or on the margins only, often hairy, margins finely toothed or **entire**, tips blunt or somewhat pointed. Male and female flowers on the same plant. Flowers tiny, with 0 **petals**, green to reddish with purplish to pink or white lobed appendages to 0.5 mm wide, in small **heads** that look like a single flower, each **head** with several male flowers surrounding 1 female flower. Seed cases 1–2 mm in diameter.

Was *Chamaesyce maculata*.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Euphorbia-maculata> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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