

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

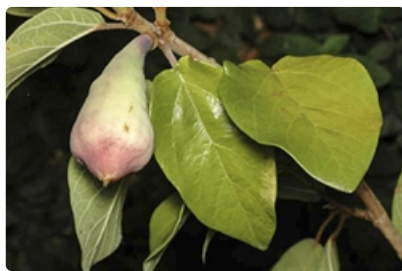


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Common name

Creeping fig

Family

Moraceae

Where found

Occasionally **naturalised**. Mostly in the Sydney area, rarely elsewhere.

Notes

Introduced woody climber to 4 m high, climbing by **adventitious roots**. Fruit fleshy, not edible. Young stems covered in soft hairs. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, surfaces more or less rough, the leaves of climbing stems 1–3 cm long, bases **cordate**, with one side longer than the other, stalks short; leaves of **spreading** fruiting branches 4–10 cm long, stalks 1–2 cm long. Male and female flowers on different plants. Individual flowers very small, inside the figs. Figs single, grey to mauve turning brownish, or yellowish green to pinkish, oval, 40–50 mm long.

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

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