

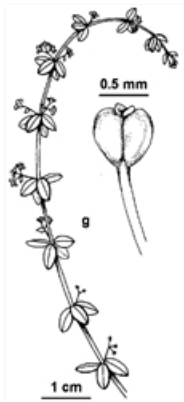
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Photographer Jackie Mles



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Namadgi National Park, ACT



Line drawings. g. flowering branch; 'seed'; leaf detail.
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Common name

Hairy Bedstraw

Family

Rubiaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, grassland, and along streams. ACT, the mountains to the west, Kosciuszko National Park, and nearby. Mountains west of Sydney.

Notes

Perennial herb, trailing to almost **erect**, often with extensive **rhizomes**. Stems 0.1–0.3 m long, 4-angled, with sparsely to moderately dense, slender hairs, occasionally with fine, shorter prickle-like hairs. Leaves and leaf-like **stipules** in **whorls** of 4, 0.2–1.5 cm long, 1.5–5 mm wide, tips blunt to pointed, upper surface glossy, both surfaces with scattered hairs or hairless, margins curved to rolled down. Flowers 1.5–3 mm diameter, with 4 pale yellow or cream **petals** fused together near their bases, in clusters of 2–7 flowers. Flowers late spring to summer. 'Seeds' about 0.8–1.5 mm long, hairless, wrinkled.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

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

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