

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



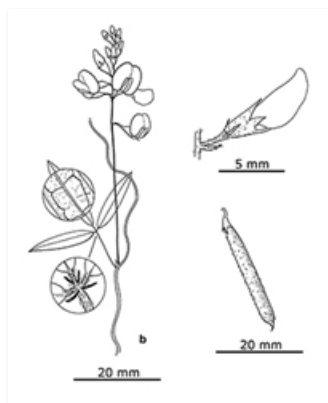
Flowers. Photographer Ryu Callaway, Jerrabomberra Grassland Reserve near Queanbeyan



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Line drawings. b. flowering branch; pod; flowers. M Mbir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

## Common name

Small-leaf glycine

## Family

Fabaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, and **shrubland**, in moist semi-shaded areas. Widespread.

## Notes

**Perennial** climbing or **scrambling** herb, **stoloniferous**. Stems almost hairless or hairy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, **compound**, with 3 leaflets, each 0.4-5 cm long, 1-9 mm wide, leaflets of the upper leaves narrower, 1.5-5 cm long, 1-6 mm wide; leaflets of the lower leaves wider, 0.4-5 cm long, mostly 2-9 mm wide. Leaflet surfaces hairy with short, white, **appressed** hairs. Small leaf **veins** obvious. Small **stipules** always present at the base of the stalks of the middle leaflets. **Standard** petal 4.5-8 mm long. Flowers pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, pinkish mauve to purple, sometimes white, in clusters of 5-13 flowers. Flowers all year.

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

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