

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Richard Hartland, Kurth Kiln



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Mbruya State Forest west of Mbruya



Plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Narradgi National Park, ACT

Common name

Austral brooklime, Australian brooklime

Family

Plantaginaceae

Where found

Forest and **woodland**, along streams and in moist sites, and in water. Widespread.

Notes

Perennial herb to 0.50 m tall or sprawling, somewhat sticky, hairless to hairy. Stems sometimes rooting at the base. Leaves opposite each other, 1-4.5 cm long, 5-27 mm wide, margins toothed, bases stem-clasping. Flowers 6-12 mm long, pink with fine red-purple **striations**, tubular, with 5 lobes, obscurely 2-lipped, stalkless. Flowers single, rarely paired, at the base of leaf-like **bracts**. Flowers Spring to Autumn.

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

Family was Scrophulariaceae.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Gratiola~peruviana> (accessed 19 January, 2021)

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