

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, between Kangaroo Valley and Berry



Flowering stem Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



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Common name

Illawarra Irene

Family

Brassicaceae

Where found

Moist **forest**, **shrubland**, rocky areas, gullies, and the Shoalhaven River gorge. Coast and ranges between west of Wollongong to Morton National Park.

Notes

Annual or short-lived **perennial** herb to 2.5 m high. Hairless. Stem leaves **alternating** up the stems, mostly 4–8 cm long, margins toothed. Flowers white, with 4 **petals** each 3–4 mm long. Seed cases 0.5–2 cm long, 0.7–1 mm wide, curved, stalks 6–10 mm long. Flowers in elongating clusters at the tops of the stems. Seeds sticky when wet but scarcely mucilaginous.

Endangered Australia. Endangered NSW. Provisions of the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 No 63 relating to the protection of protected plants generally also apply to plants that are a threatened species.

NSW Threatened Species profile: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedspeciesapp/profile.aspx?id=10437> (accessed 6 January, 2021)

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Irenepharsus~trypherus> (accessed 6 January, 2021)

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