

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower. Photographer Malcolm Storey, England



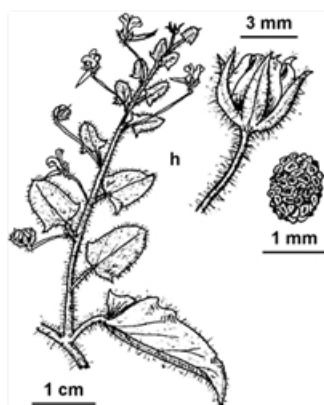
Flower front on. Photographer Keir Morse, Oregon, USA



Flowering stem Photographer Malcolm Storey, England



Line drawing (subsp. *crinita*). i. seed case. G Stolfo, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board



Line drawing (subsp. *elatine*). flowering and seeding branch; seed case; seed. h. G Stolfo, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

## Common name

Pointed Toadflax.

(subsp. *crinita*): Twining Toadflax.

(subsp. *elatine*): Woolly Toadflax

## Family

Plantaginaceae

## Where found

Weed. Pastures, crops, and disturbed sites.

subsp. *crinita*: Mainly Western Slopes. Rarely elsewhere. Not coast or ranges. Doubtfully **naturalised** in the ACT.

subsp. *elatine*: Mainly Sydney area. Rarely elsewhere.

## Notes

**Introduced perennial** herb, **prostrate**. Hairy with shaggy long **simple** and shorter **glandular** hairs. Leaves **alternating** along the stems, 1–3.3 cm long, 7–24 mm wide, margins often toothed, tips with a long drawn out point, bases squared off or with backward pointing pointed lobes. Flowers 2.5–7.5 mm long, tubular, with a **spur** 5–7 mm long at the base, 2-lipped, the upper lip 2-lobed, the lower lip 3-lobed with prominent bosses closing the mouth. Tube white to yellow, spur white to yellow, the upper lip reddish or purple to brown-purple-fronted, the lower lip yellow. Flowers single.

**subsp. crinita**: Individual flower stalks densely hairy throughout.

**subsp. elatine**: Individual flower stalks hairless except just below the flowers and at the base.

Family was Scrophulariaceae.

PlantNET description of species and key to subspecies: <http://plantnet.rbg Syd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Kickxia~elatine> (accessed 19 January, 2021)

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