

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower. Photographer Steve Burrows, Bournda National Park



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Wallaga Lake north of Bermagui



Flowering stems. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Adaminaby

Common name

Native flax, Wild flax

Family

Linaceae

Where found

Forest, **woodland**, **heath**, grassy areas, **herbfields**, gullies, along streams, and swamp margins. Widespread.

Notes

Perennial herb to 1 m tall. Stems hairless, **striate**. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 0.5-2.2 cm long, 1-3 mm wide, hairless, margins **entire**, tips pointed. Flowers with 5 blue, occasionally white, **petals**, each to 15 mm long. Flowers in loose clusters or single. Flowers mostly Spring to Summer.

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=Linum~marginale> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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