

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Trunketabella Creek north of Bodalla

Common name

Water primrose, Clove-strip

Family

Onagraceae

Where found

Mud and shallow water. Coast, ranges, ACT, and the Albury district. Occasional elsewhere.

Notes

Perennial herb, **prostrate** or sprawling, rooting at the **nodes** or floating, with branches to 2m long. Flowering stems floating or more or less **erect**. Stems often hairy. Creeping stems fleshy; floating stems spongy. Leaves **alternating** along the stems, 1-10 cm long, 3-30 mm wide, hairless at first, becoming hairy at flowering time, margins **entire**, tips **mucronate**. Flowers with 5 yellow **petals**, each 7-24 mm long, often falling soon after opening. Flowers single. Flowers Summer to Autumn. Seed cases cylindrical, somewhat hairy, 10-ribbed, thick-walled, 10-30 mm long, 2-4 mm in diameter.

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

Uncertain Status (native or **naturalised**) in Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Ludwigia-peplodes> (accessed 24 January, 2021)

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