Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, Urriarra Crossing, Murrumbidgee River, ACT



Flower and seed cases. Photographers Forest and Kim Starr, Hawaii



Plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, near Hoskinstown



Line drawings. a flowering stem b. flowers; with seed case; d. seed. BMMayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Red-flowered mallow

Family

Malvaceae

Where found

Grassy areas, roadsides, gardens, disturbed sites, and along streams. Widespread.

Notes

Introduced annual or short-lived perennial herb, rooting at the nodes, prostrate, usually less than 0.25 m tall. Stems with scattered stellate or simple hairs. Leaves alternating along the stems, about 1.5-5 cm long, 20-30 mm wide, sparsely hairy, margins toothed or scalloped, and usually with broad lobes. Flowers with 5 red to orange petals, each 4-6 mm long, and a yellow to greenish centre. Flowers Sep.—Mar.

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

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