

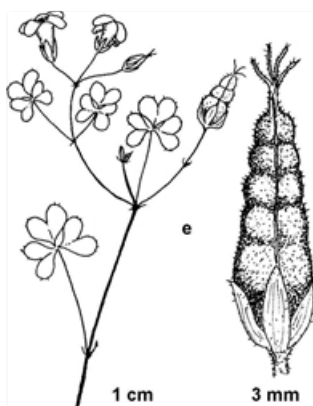
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower and leaves. Photographer Jackie Miles



Flowering stem showing the back of a leaf.
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Line drawings. e. flowering branch; seed case. T
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Common name

Downy Wood-sorrel

Family

Oxalidaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, rocky sites, and along streams. Widespread.

Notes

Perennial herb, sprawling, sometimes creeping. Stems to 0.4 m long, sparsely to densely hairy, with **spreading** and/or backward pointing hairs (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see). Stems root at the **nodes**. Roots fibrous. **Bulbs** and **bulbils** absent. Leaves in clusters along the stems, **compound**, with 3 **bilobed** leaflets, each leaflet 0.4–1.4 cm long, 4–16 mm wide, surfaces sparsely to densely hairy above, more densely hairy and purple below, the lobe tips rounded, 2–12 mm apart. **Stipules** usually conspicuous, about 1.5 mm long, rounded to squared off, usually densely hairy, margins densely hairy. Flowers with 5 yellow **petals** each 6–12 mm long. Flower stalks densely hairy. Flowers in clusters of 1–4 flowers. Flowering: May–December. Seed cases short, almost round to oval, 7–9 mm long, 1.5–4 mm in diameter, hairy with short backward pointing hairs and longer overlying spreading hairs (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see).

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Oxalis~chnodes>
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