

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



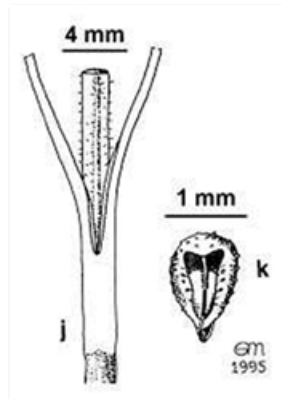
Flowers. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Mt Majura Nature Reserve, Canberra, ACT



Flower heads with mostly spent flowers. Photographer Keir Morse, Oregon, USA



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Tathra



Line drawings. (as *Petrorhagia velutina*) EMMayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

## Common name

Velvet pink

## Family

Caryophyllaceae

## Where found

Weed of grassy areas and disturbed ground. Widespread.

## Notes

**Introduced annual** herb to 0.6 m high. Stems usually deeply furrowed, the middle part usually densely hairy with **glandular** hairs. Leaves opposite each other, 1–6 cm long, 1–3.5 mm wide, **linear**, margins finely toothed, tips pointed, the stem-encircling **sheath** at the base at least twice as long as broad. Flowers with 5 more or less notched pink to purplish **petals** 10–13 mm long. Flowers appearing single, in tight **heads** surrounded by brown **bracts**, one flower opening at a time. Flowering: September–December.

Sometimes hybridises with *Petrorhagia nanteuillii*.

Was *Petrorhagia velutina*.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lv=sp&name=Petrorhagia~dubia> (accessed 31 January, 2021)

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