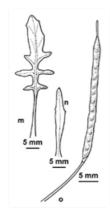
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and young 'pods'. Photographer Richard Hartland, Lake Mountain, Vic



Flowering and seeding stem. Photographer Russell Best, Grampians National Park, Vic



Line drawings. m basal leaf; n. stemleaf; o. 'pods'. M.Mbir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Forest bitter-cress

Family

Brassicaceae

Where found

Forest. Kosciuszko National Park, the mountains to the north, and ACT. Occasional sightings elsewhere, particularly in the Blue Mountains and south to the Jenolan Caves area.

Notes

Perennial herb to 0.9 m high, sprawling at the base, branched and erect above, hairless. Basal leaves deeply dissected or compound, to 20 cm long, with a large terminal lobe, and few lateral segments, margins entire or toothed. Stem leaves alternating up the stems, becoming smaller and entire. Flowers with 4 white petals each 5–10 mm long. Flowers in elongated clusters at the tops of the stems. Flowers mostly spring–summer. 'Pods' straight or slightly curved, 1.5–6 cm long, pointing up, stalks spreading to pointing down, 8–20 mm long.

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=Rorippa~dictyosperma (accessed 5 February, 2021)

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