

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



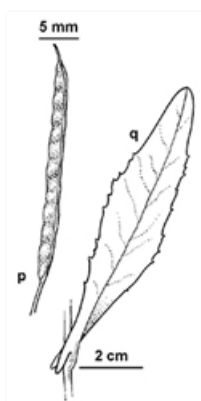
Flowering stem with 'pods'. Photographer Jackie Miles



Flowering stem with young seed cases.
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Flowering plant. Photographer Jackie Miles



Line drawings. p. 'pod'; q. stem leaf. MMBir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Forest bitter-cress

Family

Brassicaceae

Where found

Usually in **forest**. Coast, ranges, and the eastern edge of the tablelands. ACT.

Notes

Annual herb to 1.2 m high, sometimes sprawling, hairless. Leaves basal and **alternating** up the stems, to 12 cm long, margins **entire** or more or less toothed with widely spaced teeth. Stem leaves with narrow and pointed basal lobes, becoming smaller. Flowers with 4 white **petals** each 2–5 mm long. Flowers in elongated clusters at the tops of the stems. Flowers mostly spring–summer. 'Pods' straight, 1.5–4 cm long, **spreading** to horizontal; stalks horizontal, 3–8 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-gigantea> (accessed 5 February, 2021)

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