

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



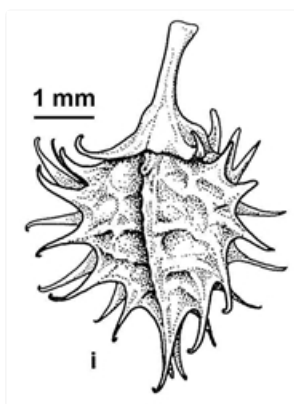
Seed cases on stem. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Alexander Schmidt-Lebuhn, Illunie Nature Reserve south of Cowra



Leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Alexander Schmidt-Lebuhn, Illunie Nature Reserve south of Cowra <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Populus-nigra-cv.+:qu;Italica;qu;>



Plant. Photographer Don Wood, Mt Tennent, ACT



Line drawing. i. seed case. M. Mbir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria

Common name

Swamp dock, Slender dock

Family

Polygonaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, grassy areas, damp sites, and along streams. Widespread.

Notes

Perennial herb to 1 m tall. Stems hairless, grooved. Leaves mostly basal, 3-20 cm long, 7-60 mm wide, on long stalks, hairless, with a **sheath** at the base of the stalk, bases sometimes **cordate** or with somewhat pointed lobes, margins flat to tightly wavy. Stem leaves few, small, confined to the lowest third of the stem. Flowers 2-5 mm long, with 6 '**petals**', in **whorls** of 5-16 flowers mostly 1-5 cm apart. Flowers mainly Sep.-Jan. Seed cases with a hooked point and 3-5 hooked teeth on each side.

Hybridizes with ***Rumex tenax***.

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=Rumex-brownii> (accessed 4 February, 2021)

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