Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



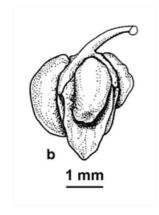
Seed cases and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Canberra, ACT



Basal rosette. Photographer Valter Jacinto, Portugal



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Common name

Clustered dock

Family

Polygonaceae

Where found

Pastures, disturbed sites, and moist areas, often near swamps or streams, or in seasonally wet ditches. Widespread. Most common in the Sydney area and Blue Mountains.

Notes

Introduced perennial herb to about 1 m high. Leaves basal and alternating up the stems, 4–12 cm long, 10–40 mm wide, with a sheath at the base of the stalk, bases sometimes shallowly cordate; margins flat or finely wavy. Upper leaves smaller. Flowers small, with 6 'petals', in many-flowered whorls separated from each other by about 1–3 cm, all but the uppermost subtended by a small leaf. Seed cases 2–3.2 mm long, 1–2.5 mm wide, with a large boss covering most of the seed case surface. Flowers Sep.–Jan.



Line drawings. USDA NRCS FLANTS Database. Wetland flora: Field office illustrated guide to plant species.

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl? page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Rumex~conglomeratus (accessed 5 February, 2021)

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