

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Photographer Don Wood, Ben Boyd National Park south of Eden



Flowering stems. Photographer Jackie Miles



Flower and leaves. Photographer Jackie Miles

## Common name

Purple Fan-flower, Snake Flower, Hairy Fan-flower

## Family

Goodeniaceae

## Where found

**Forest, woodland,** and **heath.** Sometimes colonises bare ground. Coast and ranges.

## Notes

**Perennial** herb to 0.6 m high or sprawling. Stems bristly, sticky. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 2–10 cm long, 2–10 mm wide, tips usually pointed, both surfaces bristly, margins **entire** or toothed and often curved down. Flowers 15–30 mm long, pinkish-mauve or mauve to purple or violet, tubular, the tube split to the base, with 5 lobes. Flowers on stalks to to 10 cm long, in leafy elongated clusters to 30 cm long, sometimes single at the bases of the leaves. Flowering: chiefly August–March. Fruit dry, strongly ribbed, hairy to bristly.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Scaevola-ramosissima> (accessed 6 February, 2021)

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