

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering and fruiting stem. Photographer Quentin Groom, Belgium



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Line drawings. g. flowering branch; fruit; calyx detail. M.Mbir, National Herbarium of Victoria, ©2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

## Common name

Cherry Nightshade

## Family

Solanaceae

## Where found

Weed of cultivation. Sydney area and north. Sometimes elsewhere. Doubtfully **naturalised** in the ACT.

## Notes

**Introduced annual** herb to 0.5 m high, sprawling, hairy with **glandular** hairs. Fruit fleshy. Leaves **alternating** along the stems, mostly 4–6 cm long, 10–40 mm wide, both surfaces hairy to hairless, margins **entire** or shallowly lobed, tips pointed. Flowers white, 12–14 mm in diameter, star-shaped, with 5 lobes. Flowers in 2-10 flowered clusters. Flowers mostly summer. Fruit green to purplish-green; broadly oval, 5–9 mm in diameter.

**Solanum styleanum** in VICFLORA (accessed 24 April, 2021).

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Solanum~physalifolium> (accessed 24 April, 2021)

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