

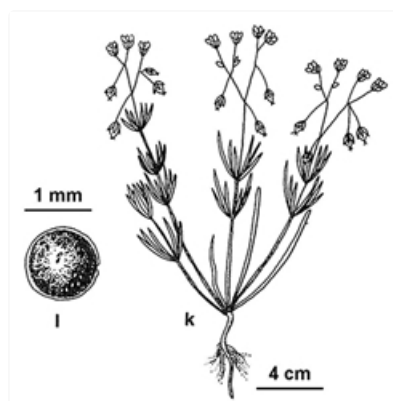
# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower. Photographer Valter Jacinto, Portugal



Flowering stems. Photographer Valter Jacinto, Portugal



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## Common name

Corn spurry

## Family

Caryophyllaceae

## Where found

Weed of new lawns, disturbed sites, and cultivated land. Mostly Sydney area to Blue Mountains, and the ACT. Occasional elsewhere.

## Notes

**Introduced annual** herb to 0.4 m high or sprawling. Leaves fleshy. **Glandular** hairs on stems, leaves, flower stalks, and **sepals**. Leaves **whorled**, 0.7–3.5 cm long, 0.3–0.8 mm wide, fleshy, margins strongly rolled down, tips blunt. Flowers 4–7 mm in diameter, with 5 white **petals**. Stalks on individual flowers 4–20 mm long, sharply turned down after flowering but often becoming **erect** again as the seed case matures. Flowers in loose branched clusters. Flowering: August–January.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Spargula-arvensis> (accessed 7 February, 2021)

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