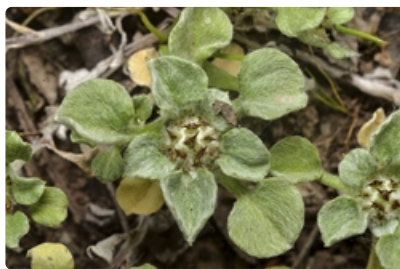


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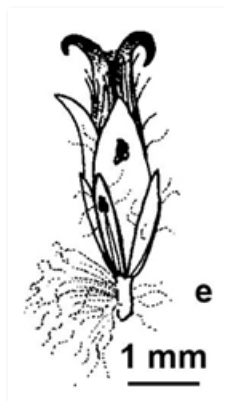
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Line drawing. e. flower head. E Mayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board,

Common name

Spoon cudweed

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, grassy areas, and rocky hillsides. Tablelands, ACT, and Western Slopes. Occasional in Kosciuszko National Park.

Notes

Annual herb to 0.3 m tall or **prostrate**. Stems hairy. Leaves **alternating** up the stems and in clusters or **whorls** under the flower **heads**, 0.2-3.5 cm long, 3-14 mm wide, upper surface green and hairless, lower surface hairy, margins usually wavy, bases stem clasping, tips blunt, usually with an abrupt flexible point. Individual flower heads green to brown, with 5-6 **florets**, 0 **petals**, in stemless spherical to hemispherical clusters of about 5-30 heads (that look like single flower heads) 3-8 mm in diameter. Tips of the **bracts appressed** to the flower heads have short dark brownish curved-back points not extending from the mid-rib. Flowers Spring.

VICFLORA describes the clusters of flower heads as **compound** heads. (accessed 19 March, 2021)

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=Stuartina~muelleri> (accessed 19 March, 2021)

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