

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Male flowers. Australian Plant Image Index, Australian Tropical Rainforest key



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Fruiting stem and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, Australian Tropical Rainforest key

Common name

Three-leaved water vine, Shining grape

Family

Vitaceae

Where found

Forest and stream banks. Coast and ranges north of Wollongong.

Notes

Woody climber, stems to many metres long, often flattened in cross section. Fruit fleshy. Hairless. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 5–24 cm long, **compound**, with mostly 3 leaflets each 4–15 cm long, 20–70 mm wide, tips pointed, surfaces hairless, both surfaces dark green, upper surface glossy, margins coarsely toothed or the teeth sometimes reduced to hard points. Male and female flowers on different plants. Flowers cream to greenish, with 4 **petals** each 2–3 mm long. Flowers in clusters 2–4 cm diameter. Fruit blackish, oval, 15–20 mm long.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Tetrastigma~nitens> (accessed 9 February, 2021)

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