

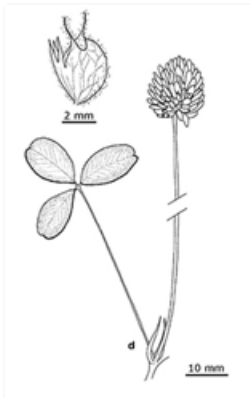
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Jerrabomberra Wetlands, Canberra, ACT



Seed case. Photographer Zoya Akulova, California, USA



Line drawings. d. leaf; flower head; seeding calyx. M Mbir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Strawberry clover

Family

Fabaceae

Where found

Moist disturbed sites and roadsides. Mostly south of the area covered by this key. Uncommon. Round Albury. ACT. Occasionally elsewhere.

Notes

Introduced prostrate or tufted **perennial** herb, stems to 50 cm long, often rooting at the **nodes**. **Calyx** teeth spiny, and **erect** to curved down at the seeding stage. Leaflet margins toothed, the teeth with spiny points. Stems sparsely hairy to hairless. Leaves **alternating** along the stems, **compound**, with 3 leaflets, each 0.5-3 cm long, 3-18 mm wide, somewhat **glaucous**, hairless, or hairy along the nerves and margins, prominently veined particularly near the margins, margins toothed, the teeth with spiny points, tips blunt or rounded with a small notch; **stipules** membranous. Flower **heads** 8-20 mm long, globular to oval or cup-shaped, 10-30 flowered. Individual flowers 6-8 mm long, pea shaped, with 5 **petals**, 2 joined together to form the **keel**, white or pink, persistent at the seeding stage. Flowers mainly Nov.–Apr.

Varieties not recognised in NSW.

PlantNET description (as *Trifolium fragiferum*): <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswf1&lvl=sp&name=Trifolium~fragiferum> (accessed 3 May 2021)

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