

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower. Photographer Jackie Mies



Flowering stem. Photographer Don Wood, Deua National Park



Flowering plant. Photographer Russell Best, Baw Baw National Park, Vic



Line drawings. f. flowering branch; seed case. S Clark, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

## Common name

Forest speedwell

## Family

Plantaginaceae

## Where found

**Rainforest** and wet **forest**. Widespread. Not on the Western Slopes.

## Notes

**Perennial** herb, rooting at the **nodes**. Flowering stems to 0.4 m high, with long, soft, **spreading** or curved hairs. Leaves opposite each other, mostly 3.5–6 cm long, 10–25 mm wide, margins with 5–12 pairs of teeth, bases wedge-shaped, tips pointed. Flowers lavender or white with darker **veins**, 4–8 mm long, with a short tube and 4 spreading lobes. **Stamens** 2. Flowers in elongated 10–20-flowered clusters 5–17.5 cm long. Flowers spring and summer.

Hybridises with *Veronica grosseserrata* where they grow together.

Family was Scrophulariaceae.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Veronica~notabilis> (accessed 10 February, 2021)

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