

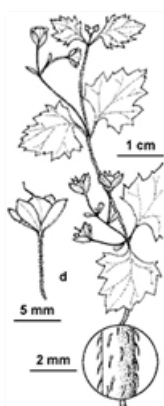
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Bungonia State Conservation Reserve



Leafy stem with flower. Photographer Jackie Miles



Line drawings. g. flowering and seeding stem; seed case; stem detail. S Clark, National Herbarium of Victoria. © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Trailing Speedwell, Creeping Speedwell

Family

Plantaginaceae

Where found

Forest, grassland, and a weed in lawns and gardens. Widespread.

Notes

Creeping **perennial** herb to 0.1 m high, with **stolons** to about 1 m long. Stems hairy with very short hairs, denser in the longitudinal bands, and longer and denser at the **nodes**. Leaves opposite each other, mostly 0.8–2 cm long, 5–16 mm wide, margins with 3–8 pairs of irregular teeth, bases squared off to slightly **cordate**, tips more or less pointed. Flowers mauve, 2–3.5 mm long, with a short tube and 4 **spreading** lobes. **Stamens** 2. Flowers in clusters of 3–10 flowers. Flowering: spring–summer.

Family was Scrophulariaceae.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Veronica~plebeia> (accessed 11 February, 2021)

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