

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Kosciuszko National Park



Flowering plants. Photographer Don Wood, Coolangubra State Forest east of Bombala



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

Common name

A speedwell

Family

Plantaginaceae

Where found

Grassy **forest**, **woodland**, **grassland**, moist sites in swamps, and *Sphagnum* bogs. Widespread but not coastal. Western Slopes east and south of the Hume Highway only..

Notes

Perennial herb to 0.35 m high, with long slender **rhizomes**; surface runners absent. Flowering stems very slender or almost threadlike, with hairs arising from very short warts, in longitudinal bands, more or less inconspicuous or rarely absent. Leaves opposite each other, 1.1–3 cm long, 0.8–2.5 mm wide, narrowed gradually toward the tips and bases, tips pointed and with a small abrupt point, margins **entire** and somewhat rolled down and thickened, **lateral veins** scarcely visible, surfaces hairless except for very short hairs on the upper surface at and near the margins. Flowers pale blue to mauve, 3.5–5 mm long, with a short tube and 4 **spreading** lobes. **Stamens** 2. Flowers in clusters of 1-6 flowers. Flowering: spring to late summer. Seed cases longer than broad.

Family was Scrophulariaceae.

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=Veronica~subtilis> (accessed 10 February, 2021)

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