

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower and leaves. Photographer Jackie Miles



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Common name

Wild Violet

Family

Violaceae

Where found

Usually in moist areas. **Rainforest** fringes, coastal headlands, dune swales and coastal swamps. Coastal. Rarely elsewhere.

Notes

Perennial herb, **stoloniferous**. Flower stalks to 0.15 m long, longer than the leaves. Hairless to hairy. Leaves basal, forming **rosettes**, 1.2–3.5 cm long, 20–65 mm wide, round with a deep notch, hairless, margins toothed, tips rounded. Flowers with 5 **petals**, bright violet with prominent white tips, the bottom petal with a large green V-shaped blotch at the base, **lateral** petals widely **spreading** and strongly twisted. Petals 8–15 mm long. Flowers single. Flowers mostly Oct.–Feb.

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

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