

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering branches. Photographer Jackie Mles



Flowering branches. Photographer Don Wood, Bangalee Reserve near Nowra



Leaf showing oil dots. Photographer Jackie Mles

## Common name

Sandfly Zieria, Smithian Zieria, Dr Smith's Zieria

## Family

Rutaceae

## Where found

**Forest, shrubland**, rocky areas, and near streams. Coast and ranges. Doubtfully **naturalised** in the ACT.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 3 m high. Stems slightly ridged when young, prominently glandular warty, more or less hairless to densely **stellate** hairy (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see). Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite each other, **compound**, with 3 leaflets, each 1.8–7.3 cm long, 4–10 mm wide, tips pointed; margins **entire**, slightly wavy, and more or less curved down, upper surface darker than the lower surface, dotted with oil **glands**, more or less warty, and hairless except for hairs along **midvein** furrow, lower surface dotted with oil glands, more or less warty, and either hairless or with scattered stellate hairs; **venation** evident, especially on the lower surface. Flowers white to pinkish, with 4 **petals** each 2–4 mm long, and with 4 **stamens**. Flower clusters usually shorter than the leaves, 7–60-flowered. Flowers all months but mainly Jan.–Sept.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lv=sp&name=Zieria-smithii> (accessed 12 February, 2021)

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