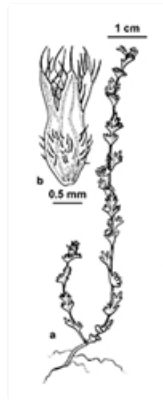


Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Common name

Australian piert

Family

Rosaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, rocky areas, and in moss mats and other damp sites in forest. Tablelands, ACT, the mountains to the west, Kosciuszko National Park, and Western Slopes.

Notes

Annual herb to 0.10 m high. Stems bristly or hairy to sparsely hairy with long hairs. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 0.3–1.2 cm long, 3–7 mm wide, fan-shaped. Flowers 1.5–2.5 mm long, green or white, later reddish. Flowers with 0 **petals**, 4–6 pointed **sepals**. Flowers in clusters of 5–7. Flowers winter–spring. Seed cases reddish brown.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

PlantNET description with line drawings: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Aphanes~australiana> (accessed 3 January, 2021)

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