

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower and front of leaf. Photographer Don Wood, Maxwells Flora Reserve south of Eden



Fruiting stem Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Plant climbing on tree. Photographer Jackie Miles



Line drawings of flowering and fruiting branch; berry. G Stolfo © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board, Melbourne, Vic

## Common name

Fieldia

## Family

Gesneriaceae

## Where found

**Rainforest** and moist gullies, on tree trunks and moss-covered rocks. Coast, ranges, and the eastern edge of the tablelands.

## Notes

Climber, scrambler, **epiphyte**, or growing on rocks, climbing by **adventitious roots**. Fruit fleshy. Older stems corky. Stems hairy to sparsely hairy or bristly. Leaves opposite each other, one leaf of each pair much larger than the other, tips pointed, margins coarsely toothed, both surfaces dull and sparsely hairy. Larger leaves 3–10 cm long, 10–60 mm wide, very soft, smaller leaves usually less than half the size of the larger leaves, sometimes less than 1 cm long. Flowers creamy white to greenish yellow, 25–40 mm long, tubular, with 5 lobes, single. Flowering: most of the year. Fruit whitish, often with purple flecks, 10–30 mm long, 10–12 mm in diameter.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Fieldia~australis> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

Author: Betty Wood.

This identification key and fact sheets are available as a free mobile application:



Android edition



iOS edition

Creative Commons Attribution 3.0 Australia (CC BY)