

****Oxalis pescaprae***

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Flowering period: June–October.**Description:** Herbaceous, bulbous perennial with a basal rosette of leaves and flower stalks to 35 cm tall. Leaves somewhat fleshy, divided into three leaflets, often with fine spotting. Flowers last one day in a 3–16 flowered head. A highly invasive species that multiplies rapidly producing abundant cormlets along the underground stem and adventitiously along roots.**Pollination:** Commonly visited by introduced honeybees; however, the local form appears to be unable to produce seed.**Distribution:** Widespread in coastal dunes, usually confined to protected shady areas in swales usually under *Acacia* thickets. Found throughout agricultural areas and many coastal areas in southern Australia.**Control:** Difficult, although the plant responds to translocatable herbicides designed to control bulbous (geophytic) species. Avoid moving soil from contaminated sites and seek professional weed control advice to remove from dune areas.

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