

Muehlenbeckia adpressa

(Labill.) Meisn.

CLIMBING LIGNUM

Flowering period: September–December.**Description:** Many-stemmed, scrambling or climbing species often forming dense, tangled masses over other shrubs. Leaves almost circular, 8–50 mm long, 6–35 mm wide with margins that are distinctively finely wavy and leaf bases that are heart-shaped. Flowers in clusters in leaf axils. Seed a nut, 3–4 mm long and triangular in shape.**Pollination:** Wind pollinated.**Distribution:** Widespread and often locally common from Geraldton along the coast to eastern Australia. In the Perth region found in swales often climbing over low shrubs.**Propagation:** From cuttings taken in early winter.**Uses in restoration:** Rarely seen in restoration programs in the Perth region due to the infrequent occurrence of the species in coastal areas. Would provide useful habitat diversification options in stabilised, wind-protected sites.**Notes:** Although this species has remarkable drought tolerance, the insignificant flowers and irregular growth habits make it of limited landscaping value in the home garden.

Habit



Leaves



Distribution