

Trachymene pilosa
Commonly: Native Parsnip
Vascular Plant Family: Apiaceae
Flowers late winter and spring

Trachymene pilosa is a softly hairy annual plant up to 30cm tall.



The leaves are stalked, divided into 3 and each segment again 3-lobed. They are up to 30mm long and wide.



The flower clusters are up to 15mm wide, with 6-16 flowers. The flowers are bisexual, stalked the calyx and petal arising above the ovary. The calyx is minute and the 5 white petals are 1mm long.



The fruit is 3mm long and 4mm wide with both the fruitlets maturing. The outer fruitlet has bristles on its surface and but the inner one is hairless. The hairy fruitlets are obvious in the photograph below but there is a hairless one at nearly half past.



→ Hairless fruitlet

→ Hairy fruitlet