

## ACAENA, TAXA WITH SPHERICAL HEADS

For a full account of *Acaena* with spherical heads cultivated in the British Isles, see Yeo (1973). For colour photographs of *A. ovalifolia*, *A. inermis* and *A. anserinifolia*, see Yeo (1982).

Five *Acaena* taxa with spherical heads are likely to be found naturalised. They may be distinguished as follows:

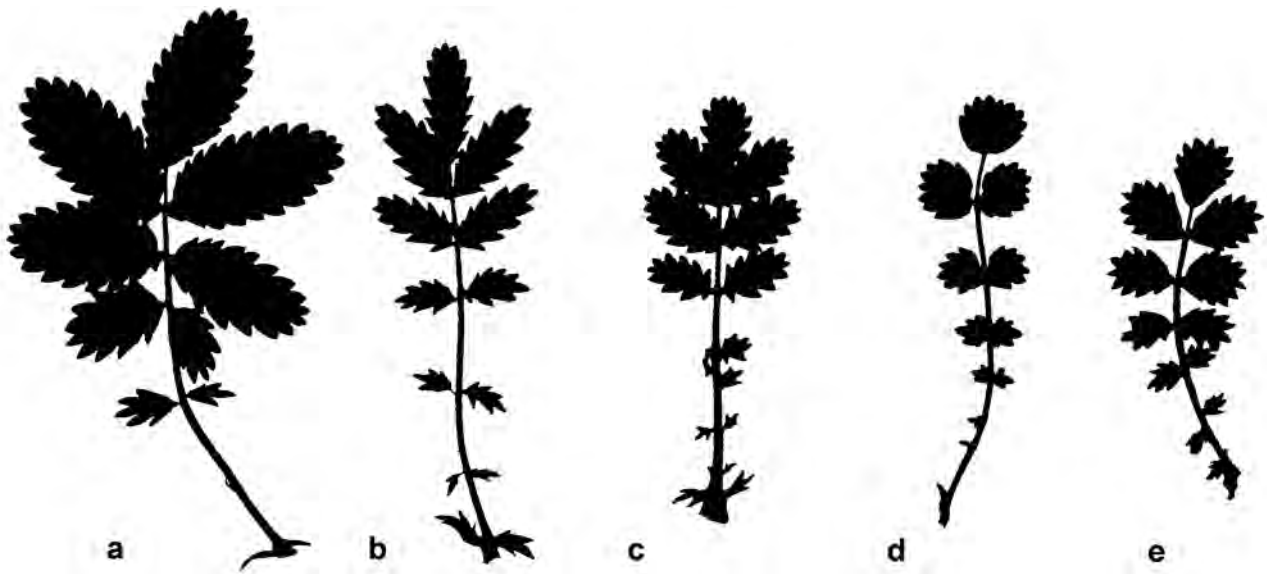
*A. ovalifolia* Ruiz & Pav.: Leaves bright green, finely wrinkled, glossy (Fig. a).

*A. novae-zelandiae* Kirk: Leaves bright green, glossy (Fig. b).

*A. anserinifolia* (J. R. & G. Forst.) Druce (including *A. pusilla* (Bitter) Allan): Leaves heavily flushed with brown, matt (Fig. c).

*A. inermis* Hook. f.: Leaves bluish-grey, flushed with brown, matt (Fig. d).

*A. anserinifolia* × *A. inermis*: Leaves greyish olive-green, matt (Fig. e).



Leaves of *Acaena* (not to scale).

**References** Yeo, P. F. (1973) in *Plants: wild and cultivated*. BSBI conference Report no. 13. Appendix III. BSBI, London.

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