



*Oenothera glazioviana* fruit (right)



*Oenothera indecora* subsp. *bonariensis* fruit (right)



*Oenothera lindheimeri* developing fruit (right)

leafy stems. Rosette leaves (13–30 cm long) are narrowly oblong to lance-shaped with widely spaced serrations. Flowers (6–10 cm across) are bright yellow becoming reddish with age, in dense spike-like inflorescence. Capsule (2–3 cm long) is elongated egg-shaped and hairy, broadest near the base. [All states except NT]

*Oenothera indecora* subsp. *bonariensis* (small-flower evening primrose), native to South America, is an erect, densely hairy annual herb to about 60 cm high. Rosette leaves (5–7 cm long) are narrowly oblong to lance-shaped and irregularly toothed, often absent in older plants. Flowers (1–2 cm across) are yellow becoming reddish with age. Capsule (2–3 cm long) is cylindrical and broadest in the upper half. [NSW, WA, NT, Qld]

*Oenothera lindheimeri* (clockweed, butterfly bush, butterfly flower), previously named *Gaura lindheimeri*, native to southern Louisiana and Texas, is a perennial herb with long, slender, branched stems, woody near the base, up to 1 m or so high. Leaves form a rosette and decrease in size up the stems, are narrowly oblong and minutely toothed. Flowers are butterfly-like, white becoming reddish with age, in spike-like clusters. Capsule (6–9 mm long) is woody, narrowly oblong and strongly four-sided. An occasional garden escape. [NSW, Vic, SA, WA, Qld]

*Oenothera longiflora*, native to South America, is a robust, densely hairy annual or biennial herb to about 1 m high. Rosette leaves (6–18 cm long) are oblong to broadly lance-shaped and minutely toothed. Flowers (4–8 cm across) are often red at the base, becoming dark red with age. Capsule (3–4 cm long) is cylindrical and hairy. [NSW]

*Oenothera mollissima* (soft evening primrose), native to South America, is a softly-hairy annual herb with woody branched stems. Leaves (3–5 cm long) are narrowly lance-shaped with shallow teeth. Flowers (2–4 cm across) are yellow becoming reddish with age. Capsule (about 2.5 cm long) is cylindrical, often curved, and broadest in the upper part. Late winter to summer flowering. Found in disturbed sites. [NSW, WA, Qld]