

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower heads. Photographer Richard Hartland, Brisbane Ranges, Vic



Flowering plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT

Common name

Blue pincushion

Family

Goodeniaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, grassy areas, sand dunes, and moist sites. Western Slopes, Kosciuszko National Park, and north of the Hume Highway on the ranges and tablelands. Coastal north of Wollongong. Occasionally elsewhere.

Notes

Perennial herb to 0.5 m high. Stems hairy. Leaves in a basal cluster, 3–16 cm long, 3–45 mm wide, surfaces green and **silky**, margins **entire**, tips more or less pointed. Flowers bright blue, tubular, the tube 3 to about 5 mm long; with 5 lobes 3–4 mm long. Flower **heads** hemispherical, 13–25 mm in diameter. Flowering: spring-summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Brunonia-australis> (accessed 6 January, 2021)

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