

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower. Photographer Lyn Allison, Westgate Park, Melbourne, Vic



Flowering stem. Photographer Richard Hartland, Paddys Ranges, Vic



Leaves. Photographer Lyn Allison, Westgate Park, Melbourne, Vic

## Common name

Bulbine lily, Native onion, Golden lily, Native leek, Pike

## Family

Asphodelaceae

## Where found

Damp areas in **forest**, **woodland**, and grassy areas. Widespread. Uncommon on the coast and ranges.

## Notes

**Perennial** grass-like herb to 0.75 m tall, the leaves **annual**, growing each year from an underground **bulb**. Leaves fleshy, hollow, clustered at the base of the plant, 4.5-48 cm long, 2-8 mm wide, hairless, channelled or almost cylindrical. Flowers often fragrant. Flowers yellow, with 6 '**petals**', each 9-22 mm long, in an interrupted cluster of up to 50 flowers up the stem. It has straight **anthers** that point upwards, partially obscured by the filament hairs. **Filaments** of all six **stamens** are the same length, 8-9 mm long. Flowers Spring to Autumn.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

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

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