

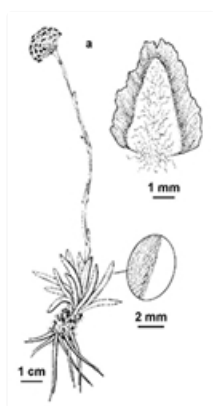
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Line drawings. a. flowering plant; bract; leaf margin detail. M Moir, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board,

Common name

White billy-buttons

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Moist depressions in **grassland**, near streams, and alpine bogs, often with the base of the plant partly submerged. Kosciuszko National Park, the mountains to the north, and ACT.

Notes

Herb, **rhizomatous**, to 0.15 m high. Flower stalks red with dense **silky** hairs. Leaves mostly basal, a few **alternating** up the stem, 1.5–5 cm long, 2–5 mm wide, flat or folded lengthwise; upper surface brown with a silvery covering of **appressed** long fine hairs, lower surface similar or almost hairless, margins sometimes wavy, and becoming hairless or silky. Upper leaves with the bases extending downwards on the stems. Flower **head** white to cream, hemispherical, 10–15 mm in diameter, with about 30–60 **partial heads**; partial heads with 4 or 5 **florets** with 0 **petals**. Flower head hemispherical, single. Flowering: summer.

Protected NSW.

Vulnerable Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Craspedia-alba> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

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