Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flow ers. Australian Rant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Ourrarong, Jervis Bay, NSW



Flow ering plants. Photographer Don Wood, Jervis Bay, NSW

Common name

Montbretia

Family

Iridaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, grassy areas, old gardens, roadsides, disturbed sites, and along streams. Sporadic. Coast, Blue Mountains, and Canberra.

Notes

Introduced perennial herb, the leaves arising annually from the base, to 1 m tall. Stoloniferous. Flower stalks cylindrical, zigzagged, hairless. Leaves basal and alternating up the stems, mostly clustered near the base of the plant, 30–80 cm long, 10–20 mm wide, midvein more or less prominent, outer leaves short and sheath-like. Flowers red-orange, tubular, the tube 12–18 mm long, with 6 spreading lobes each 18–20 mm long. Flowers in few-branched clusters, each branch 4–20-flowered. Flowers Dec.– Apr. Apparently not producing viable seed.

Crocosmia crocosmiiflora in PlantNET.

General Biosecurity Duty all NSW.

PlantNET description: https://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl? page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Crocosmia~crocosmiiflora (accessed 15 January, 2021)

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