

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering plant. Photographer Don Wood, Mt Tennent, ACT



'Seeds'. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Herbarium, Canberra, ACT

## Common name

Austral bear's ear

## Family

Asteraceae

## Where found

**Forest, woodland**, disturbed areas, and in drainage lines and gullies. Widespread. Rarely coastal or in the ranges.

## Notes

**Perennial** herb to 30 cm diameter. Flower stalk to 0.15 m long, **woolly**. Leaves basal, forming a **rosette**, 2–30 cm long, 20–100 mm wide, margins coarsely toothed to deeply **dissected**, upper surface dark green, sparsely hairy to nearly hairless, lower surface white and woolly. Flower **heads** with 10–20 yellow '**petals**' 6–20 mm long, and yellow centres 7–30 mm in diameter. Flower heads below the '**petals**' hemispherical. 'Seeds' 2.5–4.0 mm long, dark brown, straight or slightly curved, transversely wrinkled, hairless, inner face with 2 narrow ridges on either side of shallow central groove. Flowers throughout the year.

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=Cymbonotus~preissianus> (accessed 9 January, 2021)

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