

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem (subsp. *eglandulosa*). Photographer Jackie Miles



Flowering stem (subsp. *heterophylla*). Photographer Jeff Jeanes, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board, Melbourne, Vic



Line drawing (subsp. *heterophylla*). a. flowering branch. E Mayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board



Flowering stems (subsp. *montana*). Photographer Don Wood, Morton National Park

Common name

Variable Goodenia

Family

Goodeniaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **shrubland**, and rocky areas. North from east of Bega. Coast and ranges. Occasionally elsewhere.

subsp. *eglandulosa*: North from east of Bega. Coast, ranges, and the eastern edge of the tablelands.

subsp. *heterophylla*: North from Tallaganda National Park SW of Braidwood. Coast, ranges, and the eastern edge of the tablelands. Occasionally elsewhere.

subsp. *montana*: Tablelands and ranges north from Morton National Park. Coastal north from the Kings Highway.

Notes

More or less woody herb to 0.4 m high, or sprawling, with **glandular**- or **simple**-hairs. Basal leaves ephemeral. Stem leaves **alternating** up the stems, 1–3 cm long, 2–10 mm wide, margins **entire** to lobed. Flowers yellow, to 12 mm long, tubular, the tube split to the base, with 5 lobes, 2-lipped. Flowers on stalks to 25 mm long, in leafy clusters. Seeds oblong, 2 mm long, pale yellow, covered with minute bristles.

subsp. eglandulosa: Ascending **herbs**, covered with soft hairs, without glandular hairs. Leaves 1–3 cm long, 3–8 mm wide, margins toothed, curved down, sometimes with 2 basal lobes.

subsp. heterophylla: **Erect** or **ascending** herbs with glandular and simple hairs. Leaves 1–3 cm long, 2–10 mm wide, margins toothed or lobed, usually with 2 large lobes or teeth near the base, very rarely entire, margins sometimes curved down.

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subsp. montana: Erect more or less shrubby plants, very hairy when young, rough with short simple hairs when mature. Leaves 1.5–2.5 cm long, mostly 2–3 mm wide, margins entire or nearly so, rolled down.

PlantNET description of species and key to subspecies: <http://plantnet.rbg Syd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Goodenia-heterophylla> (accessed 6 April 2021)

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