

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Back of flower head. Photographer Zoya Akulova, California, USA



Flowering plant. Photographer Don Wood, near Pambula Lake



Rosette. Photographer Keir Morse, Oregon, USA

Common name

Flatweed, Catsear

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, grassy areas, disturbed sites and roadsides, and wetland margins. Widespread.

Notes

Introduced perennial herb to 0.8 m tall. Stems often grooved, usually hairless, sometimes bristly. Leaves in a **rosette** at the base of the plant, 2–30 cm long, 10–40 mm wide, bristly, rarely hairless, margins **dissected** to toothed or with slightly wavy margins, tips blunt. Flower **heads** below the '**petals**' broad cylindrical, 5–15 mm in diameter, with many yellow '**petals**', each 8–16 mm long. Flower heads single or in open clusters of a few flowers. Flowers most of the year.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Hypochaeris~radicata> (accessed 19 January, 2021)

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