Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Flow ering plant. Photographer Neville Walsh, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board, Melbourne, Vic



Seeding stemand stemc. flower bud behind. Photographer Neville Walsh, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board, Melbourne, Vic

Common name

Murnong, Yam daisy

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Subalpine and alpine **herbfields**, at least in Victoria. Probably the species that occurs in low **shrubland** in alpine **feldmark**. Kosciuszko National Park. Probably at higher altitudes elsewhere.

Notes

Perennial herb to 0.5 m high, arising annually from the roots. Roots sometimes suckering, elongated, fleshy, cylindrical to long-tapered, branching just below ground-level. Leaves basal, mostly 5–20 cm long, 2–15 mm wide, entire to lobed. Flower yellow, 30–50 mm in diameter, with 10–30 yellow 'petals'. Flowers single. Flowers Dec.–Mar. 'Seeds' mostly 5–7 mm long, straw-coloured, with a tuft of 10–20 bristles about 0.3–0.5 mm wide..

Requires examination of the roots/tubers and/or 'seeds' to differentiate it from Microseris walteri.

Microseris sp. Snowfields (D.E.Albrecht 123) is now included in Microseris lanceolata.

PlantNET has not yet separated Microseris walteri from Microseris lanceolata (2 May 2021)

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

VICFLORA DESCRIPTION: https://vicflora.rbg.vic.gov.au/flora/taxon/86db3654-6285-401a-aaac-ffbdada19569 (accessed 2 May 2021)

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