

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower cluster. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Barrington Tops National Park



Fiddle-neck. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Kosciuszko Tops National Park



Flowering plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Barrington Tops National Park



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Common name

Australian forget-me-not, Austral forget-me-not, Southern forget-me-not

Family

Boraginaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, and rocky places. Widespread, but no coastal records.

Notes

Annual or **perennial** herb to 0.5 m high. Stems hairy, with stiff or soft hairs, the bases often surrounded by the persistent remains of old leaves. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 1–20 cm long, 2–16 mm wide, variable in shape, hairy with **spreading** hairs, tips rounded, margins flat. Flowers white or yellowish, or bluish, 3–8 mm in diameter, tubular, with 5 lobes. **Stamens** hidden inside the **corolla** tube or protruding only a little. **Calyx** with numerous hooked hairs on the tube. Flowers in clusters on one side of the coiled stalk when young, the stalk soon elongating. Flowering: spring–summer.

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=Myosotis~australis> (accessed 24 January, 2021)

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