

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower cluster and leaf. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Black Mountain, ACT



Flowering stems. Photographer Don Wood, Mulligans Flat Nature Reserve, ACT



Line drawings. d. flowering branch; flower. S Clark, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Forget-me-not, Yellow-and-blue forget-me-not

Family

Boraginaceae

Where found

Moist grassy areas, disturbed sites, and damp places, chiefly at higher altitudes. Western Slopes, Kosciuszko National Park, the mountains to the north, ACT, tablelands, and occasionally the ranges.

Notes

Introduced annual or sometimes **biennial** herb to 0.3 m high. Stems hairy. Leaves basal and **alternating** up the stems, hairy with **spreading** hairs, tips rounded, margins flat. Basal leaves 1–5 cm long, 2–10 mm wide, leaves becoming smaller and narrower towards the flowers. Flowers about 4 mm long, 1–2 mm in diameter, yellow to cream or white, usually becoming blue or violet with age, tubular, with 5 lobes. **Stamens** hidden inside the **corolla** tube. **Calyx** tube moderately to densely covered with hooked hairs. Flowers in clusters on one side of the coiled stalk when young, the stalk soon elongating. Flowering: spring–summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Myosotis~discolor> (accessed 24 January, 2021)

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