

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering branch. Photographer Don Wood, Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve, ACT



Flowering branch. Photographer Don Wood, Nadgee State Forest south of Eden



Flowering shrub. Photographer Don Wood, Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve, ACT

Common name

Snowy daisy-bush

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Forest, shrubland, gullies, and along streams. Widespread, mostly south and east of the Hume Highway.

Notes

Shrub to 4 m high. Branchlets greyish-white with dense **stellate** hairs (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see), later becoming hairless. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 3–15 cm long, 5–35 mm wide, thin, with tiny wrinkles, upper surface green with deeply **impressed** and obvious **veins**, rough, hairless or nearly so, lower surface greyish-white with stellate hairs (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see) with scattered longer hairs; margins mostly **entire**, and wavy or toothed. Flower **heads** with 10–16 white '**petals**', and cream to yellow centres. Flower heads 12–25 mm in diameter overall, more or less hemispherical below the '**petals**', in loose clusters. Flowers August – January

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PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Olearia-lirata> (accessed 25 January, 2021)

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