Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flow ering branch. Photographer Don Wood, South East Forests National Park



Flow ering branches. Photographer Don Wood, Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve, ACT



Flow ering shrub. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Dave Mallinson, Namadgi National Park, ACT

Common name

Large-leaf daisy-bush

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Forest and woodland. Kosciuszko National Park, the mountains to the north, ACT, tablelands, and the ranges.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m high. Branchlets covered in beige to tawny Y-shaped hairs (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see), becoming hairless. Leaves alternating up the stems, scattered, or opposite each other, 2–13 cm long, 6–35 mm wide; margins entire and flat; tips pointed or rounded, finely mucronate, upper surface hairless and dark green, lower surface tawny- or beige-felted. Flower heads with 4–9 white 'petals', and yellow centres. Flower heads 20–35 mm in diameter overall, cup-shaped below the 'petals', in large clusters. Flowering: October–March

Massive regeneration after hot fires. Hybridises with Olearia erubescens.

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=Olearia~megalophylla (accessed 25 January, 2021)



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