

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering branches. Photographer Don Wood, near Conjola



Flowering branches. Photographer Don Wood, Tathra Wildlife Reserve near Tathra



Back of leaf and flower head. Photographer John Tann, Woronora River, east of Campbelltown



Shrub. Photographer John Tann, Woronora River east of Campbelltown

## Common name

Toothed daisy-bush

## Family

Asteraceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, **shrubland**, and heath. Coast, ranges, and the eastern edge of the tablelands.

## Notes

**Shrub** to 2 m high. Branchlets densely hairy with rusty, tangled, T-shaped hairs (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see). Leaves **alternating** up the stems, scattered, 1–8.5 cm long, 9–50 mm wide, upper surface almost hairless and dull green, often rough, lower surface cream or grey to rusty **tomentose**, margins scalloped to toothed or lobed, tips blunt or rounded, **mucronate**. Flower **heads** with 12–33 'petals', blue or white, each 12–25 mm long, and yellow centres. Flower heads 25–59 mm in diameter overall, broadly bell-shaped below the '**petals**'. Flower heads single or in loose clusters at the tops of the stems. Flowering: August–May.

Rare Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Olearia-tomentosa> (accessed 29 January, 2021)

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