

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower head and buds. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT

## Common name

Showy copper-wire daisy, Showy podolepis

## Family

Asteraceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, **shrubland**, **grassland**, and alpine **herbfields**. Widespread, except coastal only north from Jervis Bay.

Plants in the ACT previously named *Podolepis jaceoides* have now been determined to be *Podolepis decipiens*.

## Notes

**Perennial** herb to 0.8 m high, arising annually from a thickened persistent rootstock. Stems **woolly** to almost hairless, unbranched. Leaves basal and **alternating** up the stems, 1-20 cm long, 2-20 mm wide, rough to becoming hairless, margins flat to rolled down, bases stem clasping. Basal leaves stalked, stem leaves stalkless. Flower **heads** with 20–50 yellow to orange '**petals**' 10–30 mm long, deeply 3-5 toothed, and yellow centres with many **florets**. Flower heads mostly 20–40 mm in diameter below the '**petals**', hemispherical to bell-shaped, Flower heads usually single, rarely 2-8 per stem. Flowering: winter-summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Podolepis~jaceoides> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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