

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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## Common name

Snow buttercup

## Family

Ranunculaceae

## Where found

Alpine **herbfields** and in springs and flushes below semipermanent snow patches. Kosciuszko National Park.

## Notes

**Perennial** herb to 0.2 m high. Flowering stems hairless to hairy. Leaves mostly basal, 0.6–4.5 cm long, hairless to sparsely hairy with long **spreading** hairs, **dissected**, the **segments** lobed or toothed. Flowers bright yellow, about 15–30 mm in diameter, with 5-7 **petals**. **Sepals** spreading. Flowering stems unbranched. Flowers single. Flowering: summer. Seeds numerous, 2.4–3 mm long, lens-shaped, the sides smooth or slightly dimpled; **beak** slender, 1–1.7 mm long, straight or curved.

Hybridises with *Ranunculus clivicola*.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Ranunculus~niphophilus> (accessed 4 February, 2021)

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