

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Bankstown Council Garden, Bankstown



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## Common name

Pilliga Daisy

## Family

Asteraceae

## Where found

Dry **forest** and **woodland**. Widespread but not common. No records from the ACT or coastal areas. Widely cultivated.

## Notes

**Perennial** herb to 0.2 m high or **prostrate**. **Rhizomatous**. **Scapes** hairless or with occasional **glandular** hairs. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, (frequently appearing basal), 1–9 cm long, 4.5–33 mm wide, mainly green but often purple, especially on the lower surface, with 3–11 shallow lobes. Flower **heads** single, with 19–40 pink, mauve, or reddish '**petals**' 10–16 mm long, and yellow centres 5–8 mm in diameter. **Bracts appressed** to the flower heads 14–26. Flowering: July to January.

Definite identification of most species of *Brachyscome* depends on microscopic examination of the seeds.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Brachyscome~formosa> (accessed 6 January, 2021)

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