

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower head and leaves. Photographer Chris Clarke, north of Melbourne, Vic



Flowering plants. Photographer Colleen Miller, Vic



Line drawings. b. flowering branch; seed (front and side view). Gloria Thomlinson, Daisy Study Group, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board, Melbourne, Vic

## Common name

Cut-leaved daisy, Rocky daisy, Hawkesbury daisy

## Family

Asteraceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, grassy areas, and roadsides. Coast, ranges, and tablelands, north from the Blue Mountains. Widely cultivated. Occasional garden escapes elsewhere.

## Notes

**Shrub** or **perennial** or **annual** herb to 0.45 m tall, often sprawling, almost hairless. Leaves basal and **alternating** up the stems, 1.5-7 cm long, **entire** and **linear**, or **dissected** with narrow lobes to 3.5 cm long, tips blunt or pointed. Flower **heads** single, with about 21-34 mauve, pink, or white '**petals**' 5-12 mm long, and yellow centres 3.5-8 mm in diameter. **Bracts appressed** to the flower heads about 14-24. Flowering: most of the year.

Varieties as described in PlantNET are not accepted by the Council of Heads of Australasian Herbaria (accessed 30 April 2021).

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~multifida> (accessed 6 January, 2021)

Description partly based on: Short, P.S. (2014), A taxonomic review of *Brachyscome* Cass. s.lat. (Asteraceae: Astereae), including description of a new genus, *Roebuckia*, new species and new infraspecific taxa. *Journal of the Adelaide Botanic Gardens* 28: 133-136

---

*Author: Betty Wood.*



*Creative Commons Attribution 3.0 Australia (CC BY)*

*This identification key and fact sheets are available as a free mobile application:*



*Android edition*



*iOS edition*