Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Flowering stem. Photographer Dn Wood, Canarvon Station Bush Heritage Reserve via Augathella, Qld



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Common name

Blue trumpet

Family

Acanthaceae

Where found

Forest and woodland. Coast, ranges, and the eastern edge of the tablelands, mainly north from Jervis Bay.

Notes

Perennial herb, mostly to 0.15 m high, or prostrate. Stems 4–6-angled, hairy or more or less hairless. Leaves opposite each other, 1.5–8 cm long, 5–30 mm wide, one leaf of each pair smaller than the other, lower surface paler than the upper surface and often with small dark pits, margins more or less entire, tips blunt or pointed. Flowers blue to mauve, tubular, with 5 lobes; tube 6–12 mm long; lobes 2–9 mm long, usually in dense clusters of more than 2 flowers. Calyx segments less than 1 mm wide in the basal half, calyx margins with long bristly hairs. Flowers most of the year.

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

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