

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering plant. Photographer Don Wood, Mulligans Flat Nature Reserve, ACT



Flower and leaves. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Paul Hadobas, between Bungendore and Braidwood



Seed cases. Photographer Lyn Allison, Melbourne, Vic

Common name

Blue grass lily

Family

Hemerocallidaceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, grassy areas, disturbed sites, and damp areas. Western Slopes, ACT, Kosciuszko National Park, and tablelands. Occasionally elsewhere.

Notes

Perennial tufted herb to 0.7 m high with an unbranched **rhizome**. Leaves at the base of the plant, 8–50 cm long, 1.5–15 mm wide; **linear**, with a more or less papery **sheath** at the base. Flowers usually blue or purple with darker **veins**, occasionally white or pinky mauve, with 6 '**petals**' 6–10 mm long. Flowers in clusters of 1–3 up the stems. Flowering: spring–summer.

Family Anthericaceae in PlantNET. Family Asphodelaceae in VICFLORA.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Caesia~calliantha> (accessed 26 April 2021)

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