

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



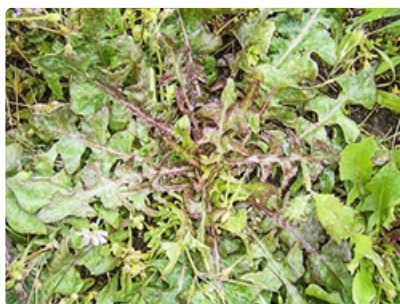
Flower heads. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Batlow-Tumbarumba Road



Flowering plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Canberra, ACT



Base of plant. Photographer Jackie Miles



Rosette. Photographer Zoya Akulova, California, USA

Common name

Chicory

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Woodland, grassy areas, disturbed sites and roadsides. Widespread. Common in the ACT and the Sydney area.

Notes

Introduced perennial herb to 1.5 m tall, hairless to hairy with short curly hairs. Stems grooved. Basal **rosette** leaves 7-30 cm long, 10-120 mm wide, margins toothed, or **dissected** and with toothed lobes, bases sheathing the stems, tips pointed. Stem leaves similar, **alternating** up the stems, gradually becoming smaller, to **bract**-like leaves. Flower **heads** blue, rarely white, with many '**petals**' each 15-25 mm long, cylindrical below the '**petals**'. Flower heads single or clusters of 2-3. Flowers withered by midday at least in the ACT. Flowers Spring to Summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Cichorium-intybus> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

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