

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers, spent flower, and leaves. Photographer Jackie Miles



Back of seed head. Photographer Zoya Akulova, California, USA



Plant. Photographer Don Wood, near Tathra

Common name

Common cotula, Carrot weed

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, grassy areas, roadsides and disturbed sites. Widespread.

Notes

Annual or **perennial** herb, mat-forming, weakly rooting at the **nodes**, **prostrate** or to 0.2 m tall. Stems more or less hairy. Leaves **alternating** along the stems, 1-4 cm long, 7-10 mm wide, hairy to sparsely hairy, deeply **dissected** with **linear** lobes which are again lobed. Flower **heads** white to pale yellow, 4-6 mm in diameter, hemispherical, with many **florets**, 0 **petals**. Flowers Winter to Spring.

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=Cotula~australis> (accessed 7 January, 2021)

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