

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Common name

Prostrate Blue Devil, Prickfoot

Family

Apiaceae

Where found

Low-lying damp areas in **woodland** and **grassland**. ACT and tablelands.

Notes

Annual, biennial, or short-lived **perennial** herb, **prostrate**, with branches to 0.30 m long. Leaves with spiny margins and tips. **Bracts** within the flower **heads** spiny. Basal leaves 2-15 cm long, 5-15 mm wide, stem leaves opposite each other, shorter. Flower heads oval, 5-10 mm long, 5-8 mm in diameter, with many individual small flowers. Individual flowers with 5 white, becoming blue, **petals**. Bracts within the flower heads greenish, 8-20 mm long. Flowers December-March.

VICFLORA states that *Eryngium vesiculosum* only occurs in Victoria. NSW plants (with one or two exceptions) belong to another species not yet described. (accessed 4 May 2021)

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&lvi=sp&name=Eryngium-vesiculosum> (accessed 4 May 2021)

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