Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

Common name

An eyebright

Family

Orobanchaceae

Where found

Wet heath on damp rocky sites. Blue Mountains.

Notes

Perennial herb usually to about 0.22 m high, sometimes sprawling. Stems often reddish, with 2 rows of stiff simple hairs. Leaves opposite each other. Upper stem leaves 0.4.0–0.75 cm long, 1.2–3.2 mm wide, lower surface covered with stalkless glands, margins usually with 1 pair of teeth, or sometimes entire. Flowers mauve to violet with deeper markings in the throat; 7–10.5 mm long, tubular, 2-lipped, the upper lip with 2 lobes, the lower lip with 3 lobes. Flowers in 4–20-flowered clusters. Flowering: spring–summer.

Family was Scrophulariaceae.

Vulnerable Australia. Vulnerable NSW. Provisions of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 No 63 relating to the protection of protected plants generally also apply to plants that are a threatened species.

NSW Threatened Species profile with photos: http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedSpeciesApp/profile.aspx?id=10325 (accessed 6 January, 2021)

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

Author: Betty Wood.

This identification key and fact sheets are available as a free mobile application:







Creative Commons Attribution 3.0 Australia (CC BY)