

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower heads. Photographer Ngawi ved, New Zealand



Flower head. Photographer Valter Jacinto, Portugal



Flowering plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Tathra

Common name

Treasure Flower, Coast Gazania

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Urban bushland, roadsides, gardens, and other disturbed sites, and coastal dunes and headlands. Coastal north from Tathra. Sydney area and along the M4 Western Motorway towards Katoomba. Canberra.

Notes

Introduced sprawling **perennial** herb to 0.3 m tall. Flower stalks hairless. Leaves **alternating** along the stems, often densely clustered, 4–12 cm long, 5–40 mm wide, highly variable in shape, upper surface usually green and hairless, lower surface white-hairy with a green **midrib**, margins **entire** or irregularly lobed, tips pointed. Flower **heads** 70-120 mm in diameter overall, with numerous '**petals**' that are bright orange to cream with a black base marked with a white dot, sometimes wholly yellow or orange, darker at the base. Centres orange to yellow. Flower heads cup-shaped behind the '**petals**', single. Flowering: most of year.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lv=sp&name=Gazania~rigens> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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