

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower. Photographer Russell Best, near Melbourne, Vic



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Common name

Smooth catsear

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

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

Notes

Introduced annual herb to 0.60 m tall. Stems hairless. Leaves forming a **rosette** at the base of the plant, 2-20 cm long, 5-30 mm wide, hairless or sparsely hairy or bristly, toothed to **dissected**, or with wavy margins, margins sometimes with a few hairs, tips blunt. Occasionally leaves **alternating** up the stems, similar, smaller than the basal leaves, becoming smaller in size upwards. Flower **heads** yellow, with many '**petals**' each 2-5 mm long. Flower heads behind the '**petals**' 4-16 mm in diameter, broad cylindrical. Flower heads single or in open clusters of a few flowers. Flowers most of the year.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Hypochoeris~glabra> (accessed 19 January, 2021)

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