

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

Common name

Blue Mountains Mat-rush

Family

Asparagaceae

Where found

Usually grows near creeks and waterfalls. Ranges north of Bargo, occasionally in the Sydney area. One sighting near Boorowa, another south east of Bombala.

Notes

Tufted **perennial** herb. Flower stems flattened. Leaves basal, flat, rather thin, usually 35–70 cm long, 2–4 mm wide; tips toothed, central tooth often much exceeding the **lateral** teeth. Margins of the basal leaf **sheaths lacerated**, brown. Male and female flowers on different plants. Flowers with 6 '**petals**', male flowers 3–3.5 mm long, females about 4.5 mm long. Male and female inflorescences much shorter than the leaves, unbranched, axis of the **inflorescence** below the flowers much longer than the inflorescence. Flower clusters **whorled**. **Bracts** below the flower clusters conspicuous, pointed, rather soft, whitish.

Family Lomandraceae in PlantNET.

PlantNET description with line drawings: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Lomandra~montana> (accessed 13 April 2021)

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