

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering branches (subspecies unknown). Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



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Common name

Rough daisy-bush

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and heath in mountainous areas. Ranges and the eastern edge of the tablelands, north of Marulan.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m high, rather sprawling. Branchlets **stellate**-hairy (needs a hand lens or a macro app on your phone/tablet to see). Leaves **alternating** up the stems, scattered, or crowded, 0.6–2.7 cm long, 2–10 mm wide, margins toothed or lobed or **entire**, and curved to rolled down, surfaces **glaucous** and bluish-green, or the upper surface stellate-hairy and green, lower surface grey-stellate-hairy; **venation** indistinct. Flower **heads** 21–40 mm in diameter overall, about hemispherical below the '**petals**', with 9–21 white '**petals**', and yellow centres. Flower heads at the tops of the stems, single or clustered. Flowering: October–July.

Rare Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Olearia-asterotricha> (accessed 5 March 2021)

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