Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

Common name

Feldmark Buttercup

Where found

Very low shrubland in alpine feldmark on windswept alpine summits. Kosciuszko National Park.

Notes

Perennial herb. Flowering stems 0.02–0.04 m long, covered with short appressed hairs, usually shorter than the leaves, unbranched. Leaves basal, 0.8–3 cm long, 5-15 mm wide, margins mostly with 2 rather long teeth, sometimes entire, margins and upper surface with rigid spreading hairs 3–4 mm long, tips pointed. Flowers with 5 golden yellow petals each 7–22 mm long. Sepals curved down. Flowers single. Flowers summer. Seeds numerous, plump, 2–3 mm long, with smooth sides, tapering gradually into a stout beak 1.2–2.2 mm long.

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl? page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Ranunculus~acrophilus (accessed 4 February, 2021)

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