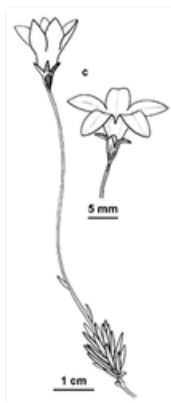


# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Kosciuszko National Park



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## Common name

Fairy bluebell

## Family

Campanulaceae

## Where found

Subalpine **grassland** and **herbfields**. Kosciuszko National Park.

## Notes

**Perennial** herb to 0.3 m tall, with **spreading rhizomes**. Stems mostly unbranched, more or less hairy towards the base, otherwise hairless. Leaves very crowded toward base of the plant, irregularly opposite each other, **alternating** up the stems, or **whorled**, 0.2–0.1.2 cm long, 0.5–2 mm wide, tips mostly blunt, margins flat, **entire**, or with small hardened teeth, lower leaves more or less hairy, upper leaves hairless. Flowers blue to purple, tubular, the tube 2.5–7.5 mm long, with 5 widely spreading lobes 8–23 mm long. **Stigma** with 2-3 lobes. Flowers single. Flowering: summer.

Vulnerable Vic. Listed in the Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act, Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Wahlenbergia~densifolia> (accessed 11 February, 2021)

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