

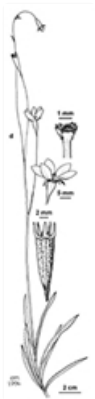
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Scottsdale Bush Heritage Reserve near Bredbo



Flowering plant. Photographer Don Wood, east of Braidwood



Line drawings. d. flowering plant; flower; style detail; seed case. E.Mayfield, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Tadgell's bluebell

Family

Campanulaceae

Where found

Forest, woodland, grassland, and gardens. Widespread.

Notes

Perennial herb to 0.75 m high, sprawling, usually many-stemmed from a thickened taproot. Highly variable in size. Stems slender, **wiry**, hairless or sometimes hairy towards the base, branching below the **inflorescence**. Leaves **alternating** up the stems or sometimes the lowest leaves opposite each other, 0.4–8 cm long, 1–6 mm wide, tips mostly pointed, margins flat, and **entire** or with small hardened teeth, surfaces hairless or sometimes the lower leaves sparsely hairy. Flowers blue within, pale outside, tubular, the tube 0.5–2.5 mm long, with 5 widely **spreading** lobes 2–9 mm long. Free lobes of the flower usually more than 4 times as long as the tube. Stigma usually with 3 lobes, the **style** obviously narrowed near the **stigma**. Flowers in open clusters. Flowering: throughout the year.

Endangered population in the local government areas of Auburn, Bankstown, Baulkham Hills, Canterbury, Hornsby, Parramatta and Strathfield. Provisions of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 No 63 relating to the protection of protected plants generally also apply to plants that are a threatened species or a part of a threatened ecological community.

NSW Threatened Species profile: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/threatenedSpeciesApp/profile.aspx?id=10831> (accessed 8 January, 2021)

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Wahlenbergia-multicaulis> (accessed 8 January, 2021)

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