

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



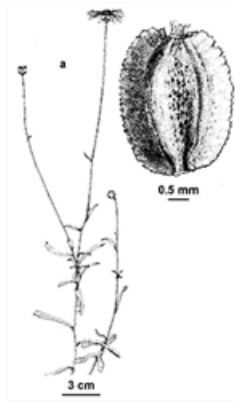
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## Common name

Hill daisy

## Family

Asteraceae

## Where found

**Forest** and **woodland**, occasionally subalpine **herbfields**. Widespread.

## Notes

**Perennial stoloniferous** herb to 0.7 m high. **Scapes** sticky at least below the flower **heads**. Basal **rosette** leaves soon withering. Stem leaves **alternating** up the stems, 2-15 cm long, 2-20 mm wide, hairless or with **glandular** hairs; margins **entire** or lobed to toothed, tips blunt. Flower heads single, with about 20-35 '**petals**' 8-20 mm long, white, sometimes white above and bluish below, or mauve to pink. Yellow centres 8-20 mm in diameter. **Bracts appressed** to the flower heads about 12-20. Flowering: Sept.–May.

Definite identification of most species of *Brachyscome* depends on microscopic examination of the seeds.

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=Brachyscome~aculeata> (accessed 6 January, 2021)

Description partly based on: Short, P.S. (2014), A taxonomic review of *Brachyscome* Cass. s.lat. (Asteraceae: Astereae), including description of a new genus, *Roebuckia*, new species and new infraspecific taxa. *Journal of the Adelaide Botanic Gardens* 28: 34-37, Figs 1A, 9B

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