

# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales

## Common name

A Flax-lily

## Family

Hemerocallidaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, **heath**, and dunes. Coastal, north of Bermagui, mainly between Wollongong and Kiama. Often grows near the more slender, mat-forming *Dianella congesta*.

## Notes

**Perennial** herb to 0.8 m high, tufted, **rhizomatous**. Tufts to 20 cm diameter at the base; roots fleshy-fibrous. Fruit fleshy, blue. Leaves arranged in two rows on opposite sides of the stem, to 70 cm long, 6–18 mm wide, basal **sheaths keeled**, less than half closed at the top. Flowers mid- to dark blue, with 6 '**petals**'. Outer '**petals**' 7.5–9.5 mm long, inner '**petals**' 7–8.5 mm long. **Anthers** pale yellow. **Inflorescence** longer than the leaves, the sub-clusters expanded, 5–15-flowered. Flowering: spring–summer. Fruit blue to purple, 6–8 mm long.

Family Phormiaceae in PlantNET.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Dianella~crinoides> (accessed 26 April 2021)

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