

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flower head and leaves. Photographer Ken Thomas, Namadgi National Park, ACT



Flower head (arrow) and leafy stems. Photographer Russell Best, Macedon Ranges, Vic



Carpet. Photographer David Francis, Macedon Ranges, Vic

Common name

Mountain cotula

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Damp shaded areas in mountain **forest**, grassy areas, bare ground, gully slopes, and near streams. Kosciuszko National Park, the mountains to the north, ACT, tablelands, and the western edge of the ranges.

Notes

Stoloniferous prostrate perennial herb, hairy to densely hairy. Branches with leaves usually along the full length. Leaves **alternating** along the stems, overall 2–8 cm long, 6–15 mm wide, deeply **dissected**, the tips of the lobes pointed with more or less **mucronate** tips, surfaces dotted with **glands**, bases stem-clasping, stalks slender, about 10 mm long. Flower **heads** 5–12 mm in diameter, with thick stalks 1–2 cm long in flower, lengthening to 5–6 cm at the seeding stage. Flowering: mainly spring–summer.

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=Leptinella-filicula> (accessed 22 January, 2021)

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