

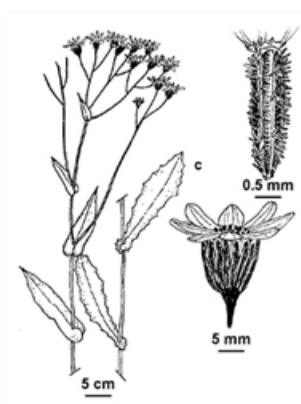
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering stem. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra, ACT



Flowering plant. Photographer Don Wood, East Boyd State Forest south of Eden



Line drawings. c. flowering branch; flower head; seed. T Brosch, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Forest Groundsel

Family

Asteraceae

Where found

Forest and **woodland**, often on disturbed sites. Mainly coast and ranges. Occasionally ACT, the mountains to the west, and Kosciuszko National Park.

Notes

Shrub or **perennial** herb to about 1.8 m high. Hairless, usually **glaucous**. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 3–14 cm long, 8–40 mm wide, and relatively thin, surfaces hairless, glaucous, margins toothed to **entire**, some leaves stem-clasping. Flower **heads** with 6–9 yellow '**petals**' each 6–15 mm long, and yellow centres about 3–6 mm in diameter, with about 30–50 **florets**. Flower heads behind the '**petals**' cup-shaped or bell-shaped, surrounded by 12–16 **appressed bracts**. Flower heads in about 10–30 flowered clusters. Flowering: spring–autumn.

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=Senecio~velleioides> (accessed 7 February, 2021)

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