

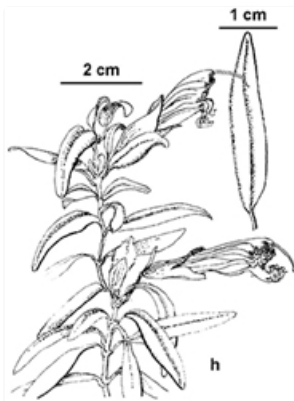
Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Richard Hartland, Mt Buffalo, Vic



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Line drawings. h. flowering branchlet; leaf. P. Strickland, National Herbarium of Victoria, © 2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Common name

Buffalo Mint-bush

Family

Lamiaceae

Where found

Dry **forest** and **woodland** in rocky areas, at 530–1833 m altitude. Mainly Kosciuszko National Park.

Notes

Shrub to 2 m high, sprawling. Branchlets more or less cylindrical to almost 4-angular, often with about 8 ridges on younger growth, **appressed** hairy. Leaves aromatic when rubbed, opposite each other, 1.5–5 cm long, 5–13 mm wide, leathery, upper surface grooved and hairy or hairless, lower surface hairless, margins **entire**, tips blunt. Flowers pale blue-green to grey-green, with dark purple-blue **veins**; 30–35 mm long, with a relatively narrow tube, 2-lipped, the upper lip notched to 2-lobed, the lower lip 3-lobed with the middle lobe notched. **Calyx** 2-lobed. Flowers single at the base of paired leaves. Flowering: summer.

Rare Vic.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Prostanthera~monticola> (accessed 3 February, 2021)

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