

Brachyloma depressum



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Tasmanian Herbarium specimen.

FAMILY: EPACRIDACEAE

BOTANICAL NAME: *Brachyloma depressum*,
(F.Muell.) Benth., *Fl. Austral.* 4: 173 (1868)

COMMON NAME: spreading heath

COMMONWEALTH STATUS: (*EPBC Act*) Not Listed

TASMANIAN STATUS: (*TSP Act*) rare

Description

A shrub with many slender and wiry branches, up to 1 metre high. **Leaves:** The leaves are between 8-15 mm long, lance-shaped and taper into a sharp point. They are alternately arranged along the stem and closely clustered. The leaves are usually without stalks. **Flowers:** The white flowers are solitary and 2-3 mm long. Flowering is from August to December (Flora of Victoria). Most herbarium specimens have been collected between these months. **Fruit:** The fruit is fleshy (Curtis 1963).

Ecology and Management

There is currently no information available regarding the ecology and management of this species.

Conservation Status Assessment

There is no immediate need for reassessment of *Brachyloma depressum*.

Further Information

- Curtis, WM 1963, *The Student's Flora of Tasmania*, Part 2, Government Printer, Hobart.
- Kirkpatrick, JB, Barker, P, Brown, MJ, Harris, S & Mackie, R 1994, *The Reservation Status of Tasmanian Vascular Plant Communities*, Tasmanian Conservation Trust Incorporated, Hobart.

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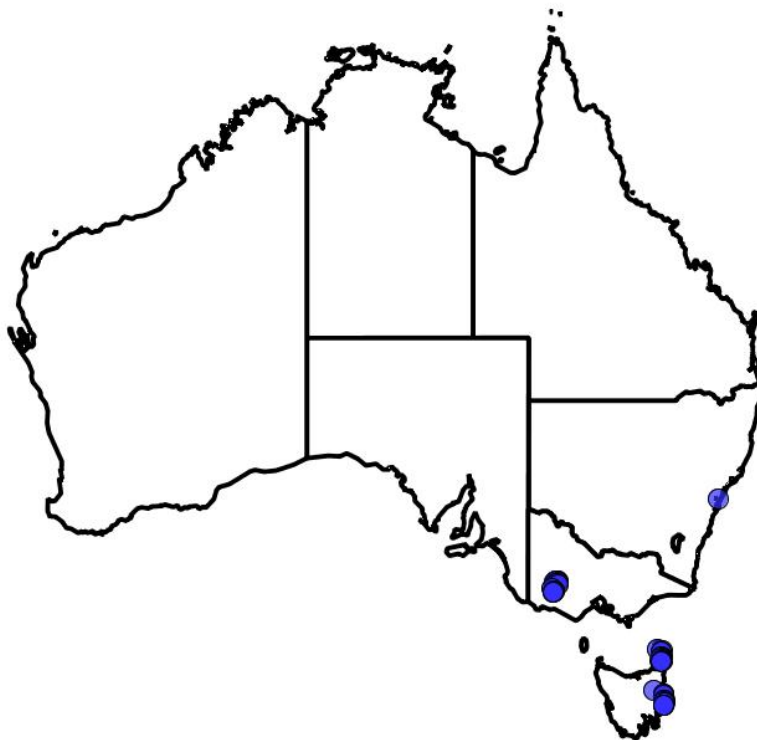
Survey Time and Habitat Guide (black = best, dark grey = possible, light grey with slash=poor time to survey, as guided by collection dates of specimens and records)

<i>Brachyloma depressum</i>	Spring				Summer				Autumn				Winter													
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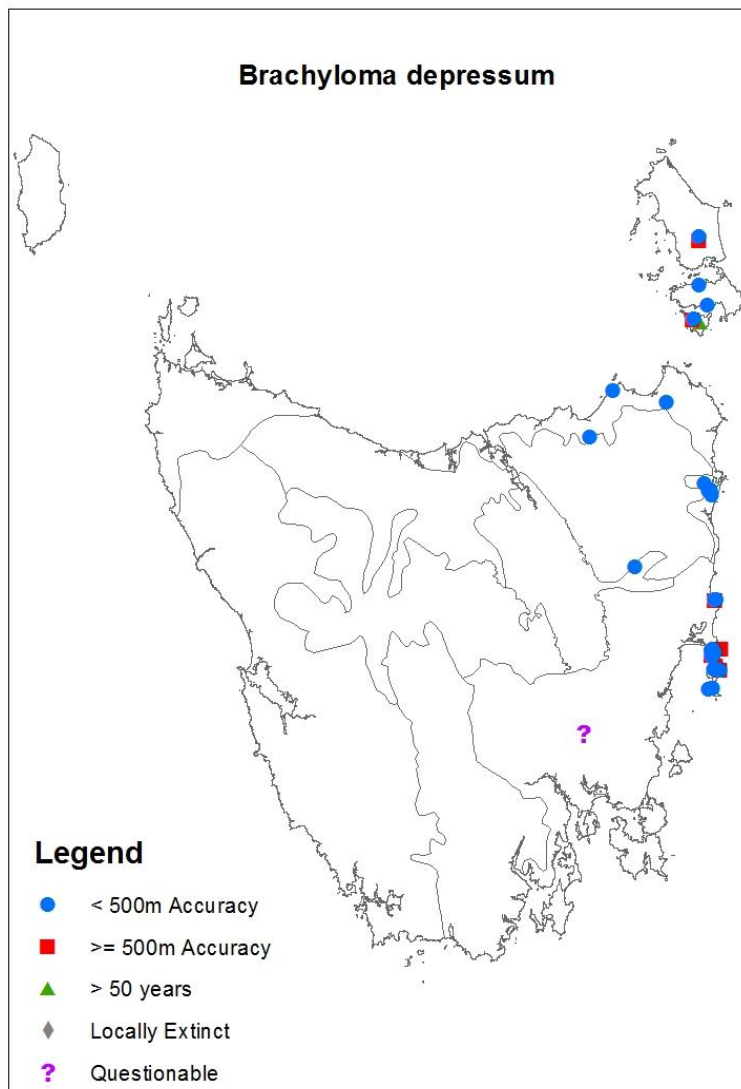
- Flowering of this shrub is from August to December (Flora of Victoria). Most herbarium specimens have been collected from September to December, though the species can be identified at other times of the year from its closely-clustered leaves.
- In Tasmania, *Brachyloma depressum* is found in shrubby heathland and low open woodland amongst granite boulders/sheets or on granite soils, mainly in near-coastal sites.

Distribution

(Atlas of Living Australia 15/9/2016)



Tasmanian Distribution
(Natural Values Atlas May 2015)



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Permit

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