

# *Teucrium corymbosum*



**FAMILY:** LAMIACEAE

**BOTANICAL NAME:** *Teucrium corymbosum*,  
R.Br., *Prodr.* 504 (1810)

**COMMON NAME:** Forest germander

**COMMONWEALTH STATUS:** (*EPBC Act*)  
Not Listed

**TASMANIAN STATUS:** (*TSP Act*) rare

*Teucrium corymbosum*. TSU.

## Description

An erect perennial herb between 60-100 cm tall. This species is sparingly branched with rigid, square stems that are densely covered with small hairs so that the surface appears white-greyish. **Leaves:** The leaves are shortly stalked, varying from egg-shaped to lance-shaped, between 2-4 cm long and irregularly lobed or toothed. The upper surface is hairless and the underside is covered with grey hair. **Flowers:** The flowers are white, between 8-10 mm long and arranged in loose clusters of 5-7 borne on single stalks in the axils of leafy bracts at the end of the stem. Flowering occurs from spring to late summer. **Fruit:** The fruit is dry and separates when ripe (Cunningham *et al.* 1992).

## Distribution and Habitat

This species occurs throughout temperate Australia. In Tasmania, *Teucrium corymbosum* is predominantly found in *Allocasuarina verticillata* coastal and inland woodland, *Eucalyptus viminalis* woodland and native grasslands in the east of the (Curtis 1967).

## Key Sites and Populations

Key sites include, Risdon near Hobart, Stapleton Point, Clone Vale, St. Marys Pass, Distillery Creek, north of Mt. Direction, Stag Hill, Macquarie River, Variety Bay on North Bruny Island, Mt. Peter summit, Haytons Hill, Cape Bernier, Skipping Ridge on north coast of Maria Island and the end of Boathouse Road on the Swan River.



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### **Known Reserves**

Reserved in the Butlers Ridge Nature Reserve, Dog Kennels Regional Reserve, Dry Creek East Nature Reserve, Freycinet National Park, Lower Marsh Creek Forest Reserve, Maria Island National Park, Meehan Range Nature Recreation Area, Mount Direction Conservation Area, St Marys Pass State Reserve and the Wye River State Reserve.

### **Ecology and Management**

A key threat to this species is grazing by stock. This species is at risk from incremental loss of habitat for dams and other activities.

### **Conservation Status Assessment**

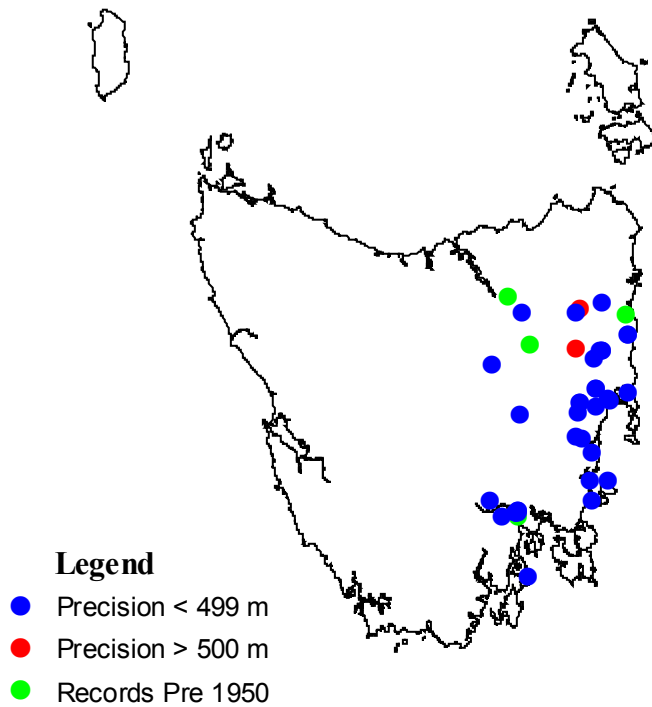
There is no immediate need for reassessment of *Teucrium corymbosum*.

### **Further Information**

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## Tasmanian Distribution

(As per Threatened Species Unit records, June 2003)



### 1:25 000 Map Sheets

Blessington, Broadmarsh, Cleveland, Collinsvale, Colonels, Cranbrook, Darlington, Dublin Town, Falmouth, Friendly, Great Bay, Hobart, Launceston, Mathinna, O Connors, Orford, Piccaninny, Ravensdale, Richmond, Royalty, Roys, Sandspit, St John, St Pauls Dome, Swansea, Tunbridge.

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