

Black-eyed Susan

Scientific Name:

Tetratheca glandulosa

Conservation Status in NSW:

Vulnerable

National Conservation Status:

Vulnerable



SPECIAL NOTE: Trampling from people, horses and vehicles easily destroys this plant and its habitat.

Description:

Black-eyed Susan is an erect to spreading shrub that grows up to 50cm tall. Its common name describes the flowers as they have a black centre with four rose-purple petals.

Habitat:

Black-eyed Susan is found on a few heath and woodland ridges or plateaus in Warringah. It is an inconspicuous plant that grows among surrounding plants and is best seen when it flowers in late winter to spring.

Threats:

The main threats to Black-eyed Susans are habitat loss through expanding urban areas and habitat degradation from inappropriate fire regimes, illegal track creation and weed invasion.

Community Action:

Warringah residents can protect plants such as the Black-eyed Susan by having a "bush friendly" garden to reduce the threat of weed invasions into nearby bushland and be aware of trampling plant species. Trampling from people, horses and vehicles easily destroys this plant and its habitat.