

SPECIES MANAGEMENT PROFILE

Aphelia gracilis slender fanwort

Group: Magnoliophyta (flowering plants), Liliopsida (monocots), Restionales, Centrolepidaceae

Status: *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995*: rare
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999: Not listed

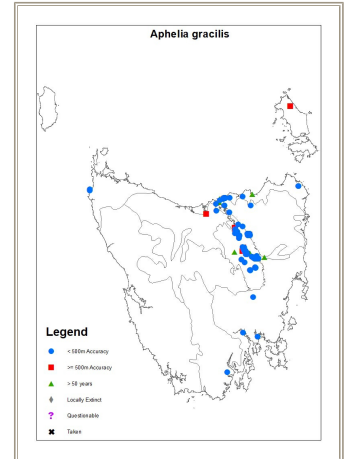
Endemic Status: Found in Tasmania and elsewhere



A complete species management profile is not currently available for this species. Check for further information on this page and any relevant Activity Advice.

Key Points

- Important:** Is this species in your area? Do you need a permit? Ensure you've covered all the issues by checking the Planning Ahead page.
- Important:** Different threatened species may have different requirements. For any activity you are considering, read the Activity Advice pages for background information and important advice about managing around the needs of multiple threatened species.



Surveying

Key	Survey reliability more info
M	Best time to survey
M	Potential time to survey
M	Poor time to survey
M	Non-survey period

To ensure you follow the law - check whether your survey requires a permit. Always report any new records to the Natural Values Atlas, or send the information direct to the Threatened Species Section. Refer to the Activity Advice: Surveying page for background information.

<i>Aphelia gracilis</i>	Spring			Summer				Autumn				Winter												
slender fanwort	S	S	O	O	N	N	D	D	J	J	F	F	M	M	A	A	M	M	J	J	J	J	A	A

- This grass-like annual herb flowers from October through to November. Most herbarium specimens have been collected from late October to early December. Inflorescences are required for identification.
- In Tasmania, *Aphelia gracilis* inhabits damp, sandy ground and wet places in the Midlands and north-east of the State. In Victoria it is reported from moist tea-tree heath and swamp scrub.

Further information

Check also for listing statement or notesheet pdf above (below the species image).

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Permit: A permit is required under the Tasmanian *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995* to 'take' (which includes kill, injure, catch, damage, destroy and collect), keep, trade in or process any specimen or products of a listed species. Additional permits may also be required under other Acts or regulations to take, disturb or interfere with any form of wildlife or its products, (e.g. dens, nests, bones). This may also depend on the tenure of the land and other agreements relating to its management.