

Candle Heath

Richea continentis

When to look:

Flowering usually occurs
December - February

Dense, multi-branched shrub
that forms extensive colonies.
Grows 50-100cm tall.

Flowers grow on a long red
stalk that emerges from
the shrub by up to 30cm.
Flowers are greenish-white,
scented and trumpet-shaped,
measuring 4-8mm in length.

Small fruit 3-5mm in
diameter.

Leaves are erect and spread
outwardly. Generally lance-
shaped and have sharp points.
Leaves can be variable in
shape, but all bright green in
colour.

Similar species:

In Victoria, similar to
Richea victoriana but it
only occurs on and near
the Baw Baw Plateau and
the Blue Range, between
Marysville and Taggerty. In
Tasmania there are 9
other endemic species.

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