Veronica pulvinaris

SYNONYMS

Pygmaea pulvinaris Hook.f., Chionohebe pulvinaris (Hook.f.) B.G.Briggs et Ehrend.

FAMILY

Plantaginaceae

AUTHORITY

Veronica pulvinaris (Hook.f.) Cheeseman

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular - Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

NVS CODE

CHIPUL

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 42

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 Not Threatened

FLOWER COLOURS

White

LIFE CYCLE

Seeds are dispersed by ballistic projection, wind and water (Thorsen et al., 2009).

ETYMOLOGY

veronica: Named after Saint Veronica, who gave Jesus her veil to wipe his brow as he carried the cross through Jerusalem, perhaps because the common name of this plant is 'speedwell'. The name Veronica is often believed to derive from the Latin vera 'truth' and iconica 'image', but it is actually derived from the Macedonian name Berenice which means 'bearer of victory'.

pulvinaris: From the Latin pulvinar 'a cushion' and -aris 'resembling', meaning resembling a cushio i.e. convex or or rather flattened

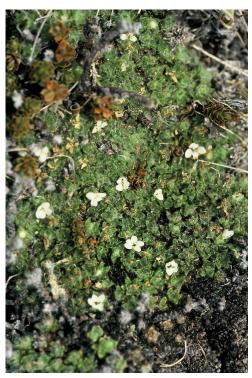
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