

Archeria racemosa

BIOSTATUS

Native – Endemic taxon

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2023 | Not Threatened | Qualifiers: DPS, DPT

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CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

SIMPLIFIED DESCRIPTION

Bushy shrub of upland middle North Island forests. Leaves harsh, small, widest at the middle before narrowing to a pointed tip, with green lines underneath. Flowers reddish, in small spikes. Fruit a woody capsule with an obvious stalk at the tip, splits to release small dry seeds.

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink

GENUS

Archeria

FAMILY

Ericaceae

AUTHORITY

Archeria racemosa Hook.f.

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

LIFE CYCLE AND DISPERSAL

Seeds are dispersed by wind (Thorsen et al., 2009)

WHERE TO BUY

Not commercially available

ETYMOLOGY

archeria: After Archer, a Tasmanian botanical artist

racemosa: Raceme bearing

NVS CODE

ARCRAC

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 24



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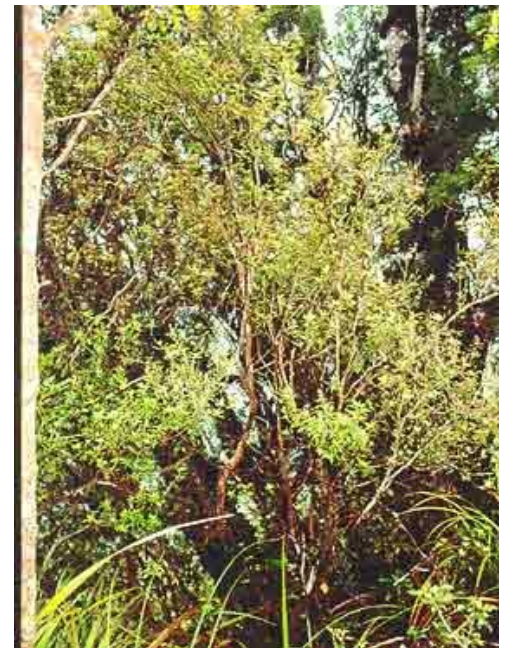


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PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2017 | Not Threatened | Qualifiers: DP

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

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REGIONAL CONSERVATION STATUSES

Auckland: 2025 | Regionally Threatened – Regionally Endangered | Qualifiers: DPS, DPT, RR, TL Help

The regional threat classification system leverages off the national assessments in the NZTCS, providing information relevant for the regional context. Auckland conservation status information is sourced from the [“Conservation status of vascular plant species in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland”](#) Simpkins E et al. (2025) report.

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

Thorsen, M. J.; Dickinson, K. J. M.; Seddon, P. J. 2009. Seed dispersal systems in the New Zealand flora. Perspectives in Plant Ecology, Evolution and Systematics 2009 Vol. 11 No. 4 pp. 285-309

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/archeria-racemosa/>

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