# Chaerophyllum colensoi var. colensoi

## COMMON NAMES
mountain myrrh, oreomyrrhis

## BIOSTATUS
Native – Endemic taxon

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS
2023 | Not Threatened
Jump to previous conservation statuses

Mt Peel, Nelson, December. Photographer: John Smith-Dodsworth, Licence: CC BY-NC.

## CATEGORY
Vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS
Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## GENUS
Chaerophyllum

## FAMILY
Apiaceae

## AUTHORITY
Chaerophyllum colensoi (Hook.f.) K.F.Chung. var. colensoi

## SYNONYMS
Oreomyrrhis colensoi Hook.f. var. colensoi; Oreomyrrhis andicola var. colensoi (Hook.f.) Kirk, Oreomyrrhis colensoi var. hispida Allan, Oreomyrrhis colensoi var. multifida Allan; Chaerophyllum colensoi var. hsipidum (Allan) K.F.Chung; Chaerophyllum colensoi var. multifidum (Allan) K.F.Chung

Waiohine Gorge, Tararua Forest Park. Photographer: Jeremy R. Rolfe, Date taken: 08/12/2007, Licence: CC BY.

## ENDEMIC TAXON
Yes

## ENDEMIC GENUS
No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY
No

## WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING
FACU: Facultative Upland
Occasionally is a hydrophyte but usually occurs in uplands (non-wetlands).

## ETYMOLOGY
**chaerophyllum**: From the Greek chairo ‘to please’ and phyllon ‘leaf’
**colensoi**: Named after William Colenso (7 November 1811 - 10 February 1899) who was a Cornish Christian missionary to New Zealand, and also a printer, botanist, explorer and politician.

## NVS CODE
CHACVC

## CHROMOSOME NUMBER
2n = 14

## PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2017 | Not Threatened
2012 | Not Threatened
2009 | Not Threatened
2004 | Not Threatened
Jump to current conservation status

## REGIONAL CONSERVATION STATUSES

Otago: 2025 | Regionally Not Threatened Help
The regional threat classification system leverages off the national assessments in the NZTCS, providing information relevant for the regional context. Otago conservation status information is sourced from the "Conservation Status of Indigenous Vascular Plants in Otago, 2025" Jarvie S et al. (2025) report.

## MORE INFORMATION

https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/chaerophyllum-colensoi-var-colensoi/

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