

Crassula colligata subsp. colligata

BIOSTATUS

Native

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2023 | Not Threatened | Qualifiers: EF, SO

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CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink

DISTRIBUTION

Indigenous. In New Zealand known from North and South Islands but more common in the eastern South Island. Common in Australia

GENUS

Crassula

FAMILY

Crassulaceae

AUTHORITY

Crassula colligata Toelken subsp. colligata

SYNONYMS

New Zealand plants had erroneously been referred to *Crassula tetramera* (Toelken) A.Druce et Sykes. This species is endemic to the central portion of northern Australia.

ENDEMIC TAXON

No

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

LIFE CYCLE AND DISPERSAL

Minute follicles are dispersed by wind and water and possibly also by attachment (Thorsen et al., 2009).

ETYMOLOGY

crassula: From the Latin crassus 'thick', meaning 'rather thick'

NVS CODE

CRACSC

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2017 | Not Threatened | Qualifiers: EF, SO

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

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REGIONAL CONSERVATION STATUSES

Auckland: 2025 | Regionally At Risk – Regionally Declining | Qualifiers: DPR, DPS, DPT, EF, PF, RR, SO, Sp 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.

Otago: 2025 | Regionally At Risk – Regionally Naturally Uncommon | Qualifiers: DPR, DPS, DPT, NStr, Sp 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.

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* 11: 285-309

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/crassula-colligata-subsp-colligata/>

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