

# Durvillaea antarctica

## COMMON NAMES

Bull kelp, rimurapa

## BIOSTATUS

Native

## CATEGORY

Non-vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Marine Macroalgae

## DISTRIBUTION

New Zealand, Gough Island (Atlantic), Argentina, Chile and Australia (Norfolk Island and Macquarie Island) and Antarctic.

## GENUS

Durvillaea

## FAMILY

Durvillaeaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Durvillaea antarctica* (Cham.) Har.

## SYNONYMS

*Fucus antarcticus* Chamisso 1822, *Durvillaea utilis* Bory de Saint-Vincent 1825, *Laminaria caepaestipes* Montagne 1839, *Halymenia incurvata* Suhr 1839, *Durvillaea mastix* Suhr 1841, *Ecklonia caepaestipes* (Montagne) Endlicher 1843, *Durvillaea harveyi* J.D.Hooker 1845, *Durvillaea montagnei* Kützing 1849, *Sarcophycus simplex* Kützing 1860, *Durvillaea caepaestipes* (Montagne) Skottsberg 1919

## ENDEMIC TAXON

No

## ENDEMIC GENUS

No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## CULTURAL USE/IMPORTANCE

The Ngai Tahu Claims Settlement Act 1998 protects bull kelp from commercial harvesting within the tribe's traditional seaweed-gathering grounds.

## ETYMOLOGY

**antarctica**: Antarctic

## NVS CODE

DURANT

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/durvillaea-antarctica/>

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