

# Epilobium matthewsii

## FAMILY

Onagraceae

## AUTHORITY

*Epilobium matthewsii* Petrie

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

## ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

## ENDEMIC GENUS

No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 36

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2018 | At Risk – Naturally Uncommon

## PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Data Deficient

2004 | Not Threatened

## DISTRIBUTION

Fiordland

## HABITAT

Moist rocks and banks, often in the splash zone from waterfalls; sea level to 900m.

## SIMILAR TAXA

Other *Epilobium* species.

## FLOWERING

December - January

## LIFE CYCLE

Minute papitate seeds are wind dispersed (Thorsen et al., 2009).

## ETYMOLOGY

**epilobium**: From the Greek epi- 'upon' and lobos 'a pod', the flowers appearing to be growing on the seed pod.

**matthewsii**: After Mathews

## REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

Thorsen, M. J.; Dickinson, K. J. M.; Seddon, P. J. 2009. Seed dispersal systems in the New Zealand flora.

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## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/epilobium-matthewsii/>

