

Hectorella caespitosa

FAMILY

Montiaceae

AUTHORITY

Hectorella caespitosa Hook.f.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

NVS CODE

HECCA

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 96

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2012 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

FLOWER COLOURS

White

LIFE CYCLE

Mucilaginous capsules are possibly dispersed by attachment, wind and invertebrates (Thorsen et al., 2009).

ETYMOLOGY

caespitosa: From the Latin caespes 'tuft' or 'sod of turf', meaning growing in tufts or patches

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/hectorella-caespitosa/>



Temple Basin. February. Photographer: John Smith-Dodsworth



Hectorella caespitosa, Hector Mountains. Photographer: John Barkla