# Hectorella caespitosa

## **FAMILY**

Montiaceae

#### **AUTHORITY**

Hectorella caespitosa Hook.f.

## **FLORA CATEGORY**

Vascular - Native

## **ENDEMIC TAXON**

Yes

#### **ENDEMIC GENUS**

No

#### **ENDEMIC FAMILY**

Νo

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

#### **NVS CODE**

**HECCAE** 

## **CHROMOSOME NUMBER**

2n = 96

# **CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS**

2017 | Not Threatened

#### **PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES**

2012 | Not Threatened

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/





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