

Heterodermia obscurata

BIOSTATUS

Native

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2018 | Not Threatened | Qualifiers: SO

CATEGORY

Lichen

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Lichens - Foliose

LICHEN SUBSTRATES

Corticolous (bark, wood), Saxicolous (rock), Terricolous (soil)

SUBSTRATE DETAILS

Corticolous, occasionally saxicolous or terricolous

GENUS

Heterodermia

FAMILY

Physciaceae

AUTHORITY

Heterodermia obscurata (Nyl.) Trevis.

SYNONYMS

Physcia obscurata

ENDEMIC TAXON

No

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

ETYMOLOGY

heterodermia: From the Greek heteros (other, different) and derma (a skin or hide), in reference to the presence or absence of a lower cortex

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

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MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/heterodermia-obscurata/>

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