

Olearia arborescens

COMMON NAME

common tree daisy, glossy tree daisy

SYNONYMS

Solidago arborescens G.Forst., *Olearia arborescens* (G.Forst.) Cockayne et Laing var. *arborescens*, *Olearia arborescens* var. *cordatifolia* Kirk, *Olearia nitida* Hook.f., *Olearia erythropappa* Colenso, *Olearia multiflora* Colenso, *Olearia populifolia* Colenso, *Olearia suborbiculata* Colenso

FAMILY

Asteraceae

AUTHORITY

Olearia arborescens (G.Forst.) Cockayne et Laing

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

NVS CODE

OLEARB

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 108

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Bushy small tree bearing leathery oval pointed dark green glossy leaves that are paler underneath and large clusters of white daisy-like flowers that develop into fluffy seeds. Leaves variable, 4-8cm long, longer than wide, edge with a few small sharp bumps. Flower petals white, centre pale yellow.

HABITAT

Occurs in forest and shrublands in lowland and montane environments.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

A shrub or tree up to 4m tall.

FLOWERING

October - January



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FLOWER COLOURS

White, Yellow

FRUITING

December - March

ETYMOLOGY

olearia: Named after Johann Gottfried Olearius, a 17th-century German scholar, writer of hymns and author of Specimen Florae Hallensis

arborescens: Becoming a tree

WHERE TO BUY

Occasionally sold by specialist native plant nurseries.

ATTRIBUTION

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