

Ourisia caespitosa

COMMON NAME

creeping mountain foxglove

SYNONYMS

Ourisia caespitosa Hook.f. var. *caespitosa*, *Ourisia caespitosa* var. *gracilis* Hook.

FAMILY

Plantaginaceae

AUTHORITY

Ourisia 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

OURCAE

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 48

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2012 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

DISTRIBUTION

Endemic. North, South and Stewart Islands

FLOWER COLOURS

White, Yellow

PROPAGATION TECHNIQUE

Difficult - should not be removed from the wild.

ETYMOLOGY

ourisia: After Ouris, governor of the Falkland Islands

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

WHERE TO BUY

Not commercially available.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/ourisia-caespitosa/>



Ourisia caespitosa growth habit. Photographer: Heidi Meudt



Ourisia caespitosa close up of flower. Photographer: Heidi Meudt