

Parsonsia capsularis var. grandiflora

BIOSTATUS

Native – Endemic taxon

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2023 | At Risk – Declining | Qualifiers: CD, DPR, DPS, DPT, PF

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CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Lianes & Related Trailing Plants - Dicotyledons

FLOWER COLOURS

Cream, White

DISTRIBUTION

Endemic. North Island from the Three Kings to about the Waitakere Ranges in the west and Mercury Islands in the east

GENUS

Parsonsia

FAMILY

Apocynaceae

AUTHORITY

Parsonsia capsularis var. *grandiflora* Carse

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

ETYMOLOGY

parsonsia: Named after James Parsons, 18th century London physician and botanical author

capsularis: From the Latin capsula 'capsule', meaning with capsules

grandiflora: Large flowered

NVS CODE

PARCVG

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 18

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2017 | Not Threatened

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | At Risk – Naturally Uncommon

2004 | Not Threatened

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REGIONAL CONSERVATION STATUSES

Auckland: 2025 | Regionally At Risk – Regionally Declining | Qualifiers: DPR, DPS, DPT, PF Help

The regional threat classification system leverages off the national assessments in the NZTCS, providing information relevant for the regional context. Auckland conservation status information is sourced from the “Conservation status of vascular plant species in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland” Simpkins E et al. (2025) report.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/parsonsia-capsularis-var-grandiflora/>

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