

# Pulchrocladia retipora

## COMMON NAMES

Coral lichen

## BIOSTATUS

Native

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2018 | Not Threatened | Qualifiers: SO

## CATEGORY

Lichen

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Lichens - Fruticose

## LICHEN SUBSTRATE

Terricolous (soil)

## SUBSTRATE DETAILS

Terricolous

## GENUS

Pulchrocladia

## FAMILY

Cladoniaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Pulchrocladia retipora* (Labill.) S.Stenroos, Pino-Bodas & Ahti

## SYNONYMS

*Baeomyces retiporus*, *Cladia retipora*, *Cladonia retipora*

## ENDEMIC TAXON

No

## ENDEMIC GENUS

No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

It is of considerable beauty, closely resembling lace or coral and is occasionally used in floral decoration, and in architectural models.

## NVS CODE

PULRET

## REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

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## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/pulchrocladia-retipora/>

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