

# Ranunculus royi

## BIOSTATUS

Native – Endemic taxon

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2023 | Data Deficient

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## CATEGORY

Vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## FLOWER COLOURS

Green, Yellow

## HABITAT

Alpine snow tussock, from 1000–1200 m a.s.l.

## GENUS

Ranunculus

## FAMILY

Ranunculaceae

## AUTHORITY

Ranunculus royi G.Simpson

## ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

## ENDEMIC GENUS

No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## ETYMOLOGY

**ranunculus:** From the Latin 'rana' frog, meaning little frog and probably refers to the plants typical marshy habit where frogs abound

## NVS CODE

RANROY

## CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 48

## PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2017 | Data Deficient

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

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## REGIONAL CONSERVATION STATUSES

Otago: 2025 | Regionally Threatened – Regionally Vulnerable | Qualifiers: DPR, DPS, DPT, NStr, RR, Sp, TL Help  
The regional threat classification system leverages off the national assessments in the NZTCS, providing information relevant for the regional context. Otago conservation status information is sourced from the "[Conservation Status of Indigenous Vascular Plants in Otago, 2025](#)" Jarvie S et al. (2025) report.



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Flowering plant growing coastal turf, Ocean Bay, Rekohu (Chatham Island). Photographer: Peter B. Heenan, Date taken: 16/09/2007, Licence: CC BY-NC.

**MORE INFORMATION**

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/ranunculus-royi/>

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