

# Raoulia parkii

## COMMON NAME

celadon mat daisy

## SYNONYMS

None

## FAMILY

Asteraceae

## AUTHORITY

*Raoulia parkii* Buchanan

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

## ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

## ENDEMIC GENUS

Yes

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledonous composites

## NVS CODE

RAOPAR

## CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 84

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2018 | At Risk – Declining

## PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened | Qualifiers: EF

2004 | Not Threatened

## DISTRIBUTION

South Island: east of the main divide.

## HABITAT

Upland to subalpine open places, rocky ground, in grassland and fellfield.

## FEATURES

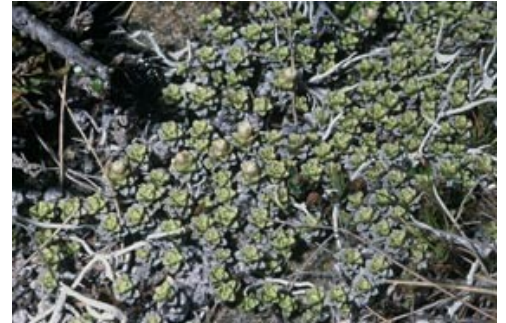
Small daisy with creeping stems, forming tight to open mats. Branchlets erect. Leaves broad, 3-5mm long, 2mm wide, angled at midrib, spreading to recurved at tips and closely overlapping. Flower heads small, 4-7mm across. Plant covered with layers of pale-yellow to yellow-green hair (except near base), giving overall pale green appearance.

## SIMILAR TAXA

*Raoulia subsericea*, *R. hookeri*. *Raoulia parkii* has distinctive pale green colour and leaves which are broader, firmer and more closely overlapping than *R. subsericea*. *R. subsericea* is brighter green, while *R. hookeri* is grey.

## FLOWERING

No information



Old Man Range. Photographer: John Smith-Dodsworth



Cultivated. Photographer: John Barkla

## FLOWER COLOURS

Yellow

## FRUITING

No information

## PROPAGATION TECHNIQUE

Easily grown from rooted pieces. Likes freely draining soil and hot sunny conditions. Intolerant of humidity.

## ETYMOLOGY

**raoulia**: Named after Étienne Fiacre Louis Raoul (23 July 1815–30 March 1852) who was a French naval surgeon and naturalist. He published a book *Choix de plantes de la Nouvelle-Zélande* ("Selected plants of New Zealand") in 1846. The genus was named after him by Joseph Hooker.

## ATTRIBUTION

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## MORE INFORMATION

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