

Rytidosperma biannulare

COMMON NAMES

gumland bristle grass

BIOSTATUS

Native

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2023 | Not Threatened

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CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Grasses

DISTRIBUTION

Endemic. North Island from Surville Cliffs south to Auckland with spot occurrences at Taumarunui and Wellington. South Island, North-West Nelson, DURville Island and Wairau Valley. Its distribution and ecology suggest it is not endemic and should also be in Australia. It should be carefully looked for there

GENUS

Rytidosperma

FAMILY

Poaceae

AUTHORITY

Rytidosperma biannulare (Zotov) Connor et Edgar

SYNONYMS

Notodanthonia biannularis Zotov, *Austrodanthonia biannularis* (Zotov) H.P.Linder

ENDEMIC TAXON

No

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

WHERE TO BUY

Not commercially available

ETYMOLOGY

rytidosperma: Wrinkled seed

MANAAKI WHENUA ONLINE INTERACTIVE KEY

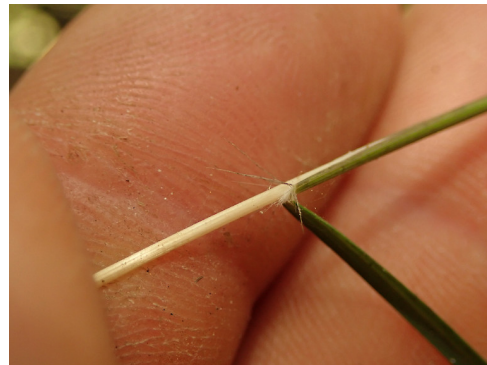
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NVS CODE

RYTBIA

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 24



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Spikelet, Te Pouahi conservation area, Far North. Photographer: Marley Ford, Date taken: 10/02/2020, Licence: CC BY-NC-SA.

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2017 | Not Threatened

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

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REGIONAL CONSERVATION STATUSES

Auckland: 2025 | Regionally Not Threatened | Qualifiers: DPS, DPT 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/rytidosperma-biannulare/>

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