

# Selaginella moellendorffii

## BIOSTATUS

Exotic

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## CATEGORY

Vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Lycophytes (clubmosses, selaginella, quillworts)

## FLOWER COLOURS

No flowers

## GENUS

Selaginella

## FAMILY

Selaginellaceae

## AUTHORITY

Selaginella moellendorffii Hieron.

## YEAR NATURALISED

1981

## ORIGIN

S.E. Asia

## REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Unknown - possibly horticultural

## TOLERANCES

Frost sensitive will not tolerate cold. Does best in warm humid climates.

## LIFE CYCLE AND DISPERSAL

Reproduces by spores and vegetative spread from detached pieces. Spreads by wind dispersed spores, vegetative spread by water and as accidental pot contaminants

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/selaginella-moellendorffii/>

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