

# Hydrocotyle robusta

## SYNONYMS

*Hydrocotyle novae-zeelandiae* var. *robusta* (Kirk) Cheesman

## FAMILY

Araliaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Hydrocotyle robusta* Kirk

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

## ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

## ENDEMIC GENUS

No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n =

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened | Qualifiers: DP

## PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

## WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FAC: Facultative

Commonly occurs as either a hydrophyte or non-hydrophyte (non-wetlands).

## LIFE CYCLE

Mericarps are dispersed by water and wind (Thorsen et al., 2009).

## ETYMOLOGY

**hydrocotyle:** From the Greek hydor 'water' and cotyle 'cup', in reference to the cup-like hollow at the base of the leaf.

**robusta:** Sturdy

## EXTRA INFORMATION

Try this handy [Small-leaved Hydrocotyle Identification Guide](#) put together by Chris Ecroyd for our July 2022 issue of *Trilepidea* (p. 5)

## REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

Johnson, A. T. and Smith, H. A (1986). *Plant Names Simplified: Their pronunciation, derivation and meaning*. Landsman Bookshop Ltd: Buckenhill, UK.

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/hydrocotyle-robusta/>



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