

# Olearia nummulariifolia

## SYNONYMS

*Eurybia nummulariifolia* Hook.f., *Olearia nummulariifolia* (Hook.f.) Hook.f.  
var. *nummulariifolia*, *Olearia hillii* Colenso

## FAMILY

Asteraceae

## AUTHORITY

*Olearia nummulariifolia* (Hook.f.) Hook.f.

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

## ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

## ENDEMIC GENUS

No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

## NVS CODE

OLENUM

## CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 216

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened

## PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Bushy shrub bearing yellow-green leathery oval leaves which have the edge rolled under and are white underneath inhabiting subalpine areas apart from Mt Taranaki. Twigs yellow, sticky. Leaves 5–10 mm long by 4–6 mm wide. Flowers white with pale centre, in small clusters. Seeds fluffy.

## WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

UPL: Obligate Upland

Rarely is a hydrophyte, almost always in uplands (non-wetlands).

## FLOWER COLOURS

White

## ETYMOLOGY

**olearia**: Named after Johann Gottfried Olearius, a 17th-century German scholar, writer of hymns and author of *Specimen Florae Hallensis*

**nummulariifolia**: Coin leaved

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/olearia-nummulariifolia/>



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