

# Olearia townsonii

## COMMON NAMES

Coromandel tree daisy

## SYNONYMS

Olearia thomsonii Cheeseman

## FAMILY

Asteraceae

## AUTHORITY

Olearia townsonii Cheeseman

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

## ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

## ENDEMIC GENUS

No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

## NVS CODE

OLETOW

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened

## PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

## SIMPLIFIED DESCRIPTION

Bushy shrub bearing leathery dark green glossy leaves that are very pale underneath inhabiting cliffs between the Coromandel and Wanganui. twigs grooved and covered in brownish fuzz. Leaves 6-14cm long by 2.5-6cm wide, smooth-edged or slightly wavy. Flowers white, in clusters. Seeds fluffy.

## FLOWER COLOURS

White

## ETYMOLOGY

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

**townsonii:** Honours William L. Townson (1855-1926)

## MORE INFORMATION

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

## PDF DATE

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