

Ourisia macrophylla subsp. lactea

COMMON NAMES

mountain foxglove

BIOSTATUS

Native – Endemic taxon

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2023 | Not Threatened

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CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS

White

GENUS

Ourisia

FAMILY

Plantaginaceae

AUTHORITY

Ourisia macrophylla subsp. *lactea* (L.B.Moore) Meudt

SYNONYMS

Ourisia lactea (L.B.Moore) Arroyo, *O. macrophylla* var. *lactea* L.B.Moore

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

PROPAGATION TECHNIQUE

Difficult - should not be removed from the wild

CULTIVATION

Difficult to cultivate, should not be removed from the wild.

ETYMOLOGY

ourisia: After Ouris, governor of the Falkland Islands

macrophylla: Big leaf

lactea: Milk-white

NVS CODE

OURMSL

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 48



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PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2017 | Not Threatened

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

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REGIONAL CONSERVATION STATUSES

Otago: 2025 | Regionally At Risk – Regionally Naturally Uncommon | Qualifiers: DPR, DPS, DPT, NS, Sp Help

The regional threat classification system leverages off the national assessments in the NZTCS, providing information relevant for the regional context. Otago conservation status information is sourced from the [“Conservation Status of Indigenous Vascular Plants in Otago, 2025”](#) Jarvie S et al. (2025) report.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/ourisia-macrophylla-subsp-lactea/>

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