

Raoulia australis

COMMON NAMES

common scabweed

SYNONYMS

Raoulia australis var. *lutescens* Kirk, *Raoulia lutescens* (Kirk) Beauverd

FAMILY

Asteraceae

AUTHORITY

Raoulia australis Hook.f. ex Raoul

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

Yes

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledonous composites

NVS CODE

RAOAUS

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 56, 112

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | At Risk – Declining | Qualifiers: DP

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

HABITAT

Drylands, riverbeds, coastal sand dunes

SIMILAR TAXA

Raoulia hookeri

FLOWER COLOURS

Yellow

THREATS

Habitat loss and modification through weed invasion and agricultural development (particularly irrigation and fertilisation of dryland habitats). Coastal erosion.

ETYMOLOGY

raoulia: Named after Étienne Fiacre Louis Raoul (23 July 1815–30 March 1852) who was a French naval surgeon and naturalist. He published a book *Choix de plantes de la Nouvelle-Zélande* (“Selected plants of New Zealand”) in 1846. The genus was named after him by Joseph Hooker.

australis: Southern



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ATTRIBUTION

Brief notes made by Melissa Hutchison on 27 June 2022.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/raoulia-australis/>

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