

# Aciphylla simplex

**FAMILY**  
Apiaceae

**AUTHORITY**  
Aciphylla simplex Petrie

**FLORA CATEGORY**  
Vascular – Native

**ENDEMIC TAXON**  
Yes

**ENDEMIC GENUS**  
No

**ENDEMIC FAMILY**  
No

**STRUCTURAL CLASS**  
Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

**NVS CODE**  
ACISMP

**CHROMOSOME NUMBER**  
2n = 22

**CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS**  
2017 | At Risk – Naturally Uncommon | Qualifiers: DP, RR, Sp

**PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES**  
2012 | Not Threatened  
2009 | Not Threatened  
2004 | Not Threatened

**FLOWER COLOURS**  
Cream, Yellow

**LIFE CYCLE**  
Winged schizocarps are dispersed primarily by wind (Thorsen et al., 2009).

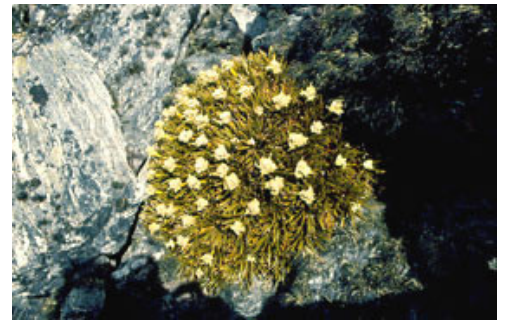
**ETYMOLOGY**  
**aciphylla**: From the Latin acicula 'needle' and the Greek phyllum 'leaf', meaning needle-leaf.  
**simplex**: Simple, not compound

**REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING**  
Thorsen MJ, Dickinson KJM, Seddon PJ. 2009. Seed dispersal systems in the New Zealand flora. *Perspectives in Plant Ecology, Evolution and Systematics* 11: 285–309. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ppees.2009.06.001>.

**MORE INFORMATION**  
<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/aciphylla-simplex/>



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