

Arthropodium bifurcatum

COMMON NAME

rengarenga Lily

FAMILY

Asparagaceae

AUTHORITY

Arthropodium bifurcatum Heenan, A.D.Mitchell et de Lange

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Monocots

NVS CODE

ARTBIF

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 44

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | At Risk – Relict | Qualifiers: PD

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | At Risk – Relict | Qualifiers: PD

2009 | At Risk – Relict | Qualifiers: PD

2004 | Not Threatened

FLOWER COLOURS

White

LIFE CYCLE

Seeds are dispersed by wind (Thorsen et al., 2009)

ETYMOLOGY

arthropodium: From the Greek words arthron 'joint' and pous 'foot', referring to the jointed floral foot stalks.

bifurcatum: From the Latin bi- 'two' and furcus 'fork', meaning two-pronged

WHERE TO BUY

Common in cultivation and widely available from most nurseries under the cultivar names *A. cirratum* cv. White Knight or cv. Matapouri Bay.

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

Thorsen, M. J.; Dickinson, K. J. M.; Seddon, P. J. 2009. Seed dispersal systems in the New Zealand flora. *Perspectives in Plant Ecology, Evolution and Systematics* 2009 Vol. 11 No. 4 pp. 285-309

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/arthropodium-bifurcatum/>



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