

Pentapogon avenoides

COMMON NAME

mountain oat grass

SYNONYMS

Agrostis avenoides Hook.f., *Calamagrostis avenoides* (Hook.f.) Cockayne, *Deyeuxia avenoides* var. *brachyantha* Hack., *Deyeuxia avenoides* (Hook.f.) Buchanan

FAMILY

Poaceae

AUTHORITY

Pentapogon avenoides (Hook.f.) P.M. Peterson, Romasch. et Soreng

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Grasses

NVS CODE

DEYAVE

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

$2n = 70$

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

DISTRIBUTION

.Endemic. Common throughout North, South, Stewart and Chatham Islands

WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

UPL: Obligate Upland

Rarely is a hydrophyte, almost always in uplands (non-wetlands).

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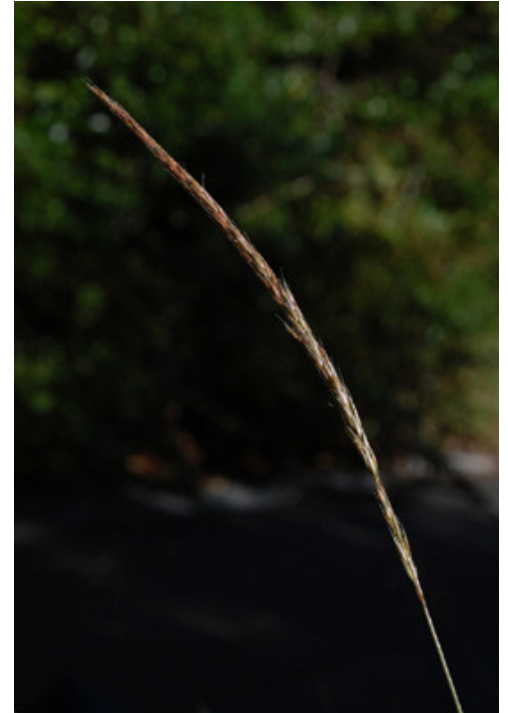
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LIFE CYCLE

Florets are dispersed by wind and possibly also attachment (Thorsen et al., 2009).

PROPAGATION TECHNIQUE

Easy from fresh seed, can become invasive.



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ETYMOLOGY

avenoides: Oat-like

WHERE TO BUY

Not commercially available.

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

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MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/pentapogon-avenoides/>