# Gunnera prorepens

## BIOSTATUS
Native – Endemic taxon

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS
2023 | Not Threatened
Jump to previous conservation statuses

## CATEGORY
Vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS
Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## GENUS
Gunnera

## FAMILY
Gunneraceae

## AUTHORITY
Gunnera prorepens Hook.f.

## ENDEMIC TAXON
Yes

## ENDEMIC GENUS
No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY
No

## LIFE CYCLE AND DISPERSAL
Fleshy drupes are dispersed by frugivory and possibly ants (Thorsen et al., 2009).

## WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING
OBL: Obligate Wetland
Almost always is a hydrophyte, rarely in uplands (non-wetlands).

## ETYMOLOGY
**gunnera**: Named after Bishop Gunner, a Swedish botanist
**prorepens**: Creeping

## NVS CODE
GUNPRO

## CHROMOSOME NUMBER
2n = 34

## PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES
2017 | Not Threatened
2012 | Not Threatened
2009 | Not Threatened
2004 | Not Threatened
Jump to current conservation status

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## REGIONAL CONSERVATION STATUSES

Otago: 2025 | Regionally Not Threatened 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.

## 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 11: 285-309

## MORE INFORMATION

https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/gunnera-prorepens/

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