

Muehlenbeckia complexa var. grandifolia

FAMILY

Polygonaceae

AUTHORITY

Muehlenbeckia complexa var. *grandifolia* Carse

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Lianes & Related Trailing Plants - Dicotyledons

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Data Deficient

ETYMOLOGY

muehlenbeckia: Named after a botanist named Muehlenbeck

complexa: Tangled

grandifolia: Big leaved

TAXONOMIC NOTES

As currently circumscribed *Muehlenbeckia complexa* and *M. australis* remain highly variable species within which there may be cause to recognise additional taxa. Some of these have names. *Muehlenbeckia complexa* var. *grandifolia* is one of these, being regarded, increasingly, by New Zealand botanists as worthy of reinstatement. At the very least it deserves critical study, along with the other variants within *M. complexa* s.l., which include a distinct, large, and glossy-leaved, northern offshore island race, which is linked to var. *grandifolia* by its uniformly hairy stems.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/muehlenbeckia-complexa-var-grandifolia/>

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