## Aciphylla polita

FAMILY

Apiaceae

AUTHORITY Aciphylla polita (Kirk) Cheeseman

FLORA CATEGORY Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS No

ENDEMIC FAMILY No

STRUCTURAL CLASS Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

NVS CODE ACIPOL

CHROMOSOME NUMBER 2n = 22

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS 2017 | Not Threatened

**PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES** 

2012 | Not Threatened 2009 | Not Threatened 2004 | Not Threatened

**FLOWER COLOURS** 

Cream, White

**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. **polita**: Smooth or polished

## **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/aciphylla-polita/





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