

Archeria traversii var. traversii

FAMILY

Ericaceae

AUTHORITY

Archeria traversii Hook.f. var. *traversii*

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

NVS CODE

ARCTRA

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Bushy shrub of wetter South Island forests. Twigs reddish. Leaves harsh, small, longer than wide and narrowing to a pointed tip. Flowers white or reddish, in small spikes. Fruit a woody capsule with an obvious stalk at the tip, splits to release small dry seeds.

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink, Yellow

LIFE CYCLE

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

ETYMOLOGY

archeria: After Archer, a Tasmanian botanical artist

traversii: Named after William Thomas Locke Travers (1819-1903) who was an Irish lawyer, magistrate, politician, explorer, naturalist, photographer. He lived in New Zealand from 1849 and was a fellow of the Linnean Society.

WHERE TO BUY

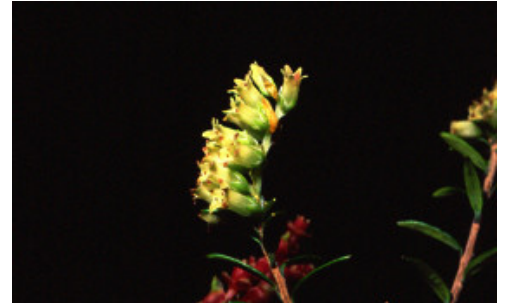
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REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

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/archeria-traversii-var-traversii/>



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