

# Gentianella vernicosa

## SYNONYMS

*Gentiana vernicosa* Cheeseman, *Gentiana gracilifolia* Cheeseman, *Chionogentias vernicosa* (Cheeseman) L.G.Adams, *Chionogentias gracilifolia* (Cheeseman) L.G.Adams, *Oreophylax vernicosa* (Cheeseman) Á.Löve nom. inval.

## FAMILY

Gentianaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Gentianella vernicosa* (Cheeseman) T.N.Ho et S.W.Liu

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

## ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

## ENDEMIC GENUS

No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## NVS CODE

GENVER

## CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 36

## CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened

## PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

## WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FAC: Facultative

Commonly occurs as either a hydrophyte or non-hydrophyte (non-wetlands).

## FLOWER COLOURS

White

## ETYMOLOGY

**gentianella**: Little Gentiana (named after Gentius, 6th century king of Illyria, who found the roots of the yellow gentian to have a healing effect on his malaria-stricken troops)

**vernicosa**: Varnished

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/gentianella-vernicosa/>



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