

Gunnera monoica

COMMON NAME

Native gunnera

SYNONYMS

Gunnera albocarpa (Kirk) Cockayne, *Gunnera monoica* var. *albocarpa* Kirk, *Gunnera strigosa* Colenso, *Gunnera monoica* var. *strigosa* (Colenso) Kirk

FAMILY

Gunneraceae

AUTHORITY

Gunnera monoica Raoul

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

NVS CODE

GUNMON

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 34

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).

LIFE CYCLE

Fleshy drupes are dispersed by frugivory and possibly ants (Thorsen et al., 2009).

ETYMOLOGY

gunnera: Named after Bishop Gunner, a Swedish botanist

monoica: One sexed

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-monoica/>



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