

Leptolejeunea australis

COMMON NAME

Liverwort

FAMILY

Lejeuneaceae

AUTHORITY

Leptolejeunea australis Steph.

FLORA CATEGORY

Non-vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

No

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Liverworts

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2009 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUS

2004 | Range Restricted

ETYMOLOGY

australis: Southern

TAXONOMY

The New Zealand plant has long been known as *Leptolejeunea elliptica* subsp. *subacuta* (A.Evans) R.M.Schust., however that species was described from material collected in Japan and is now known not to be present in New Zealand (Shu et al. 2021). New Zealand plants are now referred to *L. australis*.

ATTRIBUTION

Fact sheet prepared for NZPCN by P.J. de Lange 31 August 2007.

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

Shu, L.; Jin, X-J.; Zhu, R-L 2021: Novel classification and biogeography of *Leptolejeunea* (Lejeuneaceae, Marchantiophyta) with implications for the origin and evolution of the Asian evergreen broad-leaved forest. *Journal of Systematics and Evolution* 1-19. doi: 10.1111/jse.12798

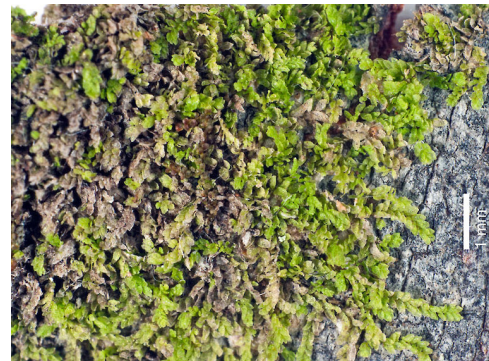
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MORE INFORMATION

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