# Pittosporum cornifolium

### **COMMON NAME**

tāwhiri karo

#### **FAMILY**

Pittosporaceae

#### **AUTHORITY**

Pittosporum cornifolium A.Cunn.

#### **FLORA CATEGORY**

Vascular - Native

#### **ENDEMIC TAXON**

Yes

### **ENDEMIC GENUS**

#### **ENDEMIC FAMILY**

No

### STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

#### **NVS CODE**

**PITCOR** 

#### **CHROMOSOME NUMBER**

2n = 24

# **CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS**

2017 | Not Threatened

# **PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES**

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

# **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

Shrub often growing on other trees with whorls of thin twigs bearing whorls of 3-5 oval pointed leaves and reddish flowers on long stalks. Leaves 3.5-7.5cm long. Fruit a capsule, 1.5cm wide, splitting into two to display black seeds in an orange pith.

#### **FLOWER COLOURS**

Red/Pink, Yellow

### **ETYMOLOGY**

pittosporum: Pitch seed cornifolium: Cornel-leafed

#### MORE INFORMATION

https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/pittosporum-cornifolium/





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