

Polystichum sylvaticum

SYNONYMS

Polystichum aculeatum var. *sylvaticum* (Colenso) Domin; *Polypodium sylvaticum* Colenso; *Polystichum vestitum* subsp. *sylvaticum* (Colenso) C.Chr.; *Aspidium aculeatum* var. *sylvaticum* (Colenso) Cheeseman; *Polystichum silvaticum* (Colenso) Diels orth. var.

FAMILY

Dryopteridaceae

AUTHORITY

Polystichum sylvaticum (Colenso) Diels

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Ferns

NVS CODE

POLSIL

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = c.164

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

FLOWER COLOURS

No flowers

ETYMOLOGY

polystichum: Many rows (of sori); from the Greek *polus* and *stikhos*; parallel rows of spore cases

sylvaticum: From the Latin *sylva* 'forest', meaning growing in the forest

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/polystichum-sylvaticum/>



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