

Rytidosperma nigricans

COMMON NAME

bristle grass

SYNONYMS

Danthonia semiannularis var. *nigricans* Petrie, *D. gracilis* var. *nigricans* (Petrie) Zotov, *D. nigricans* (Petrie) Calder, *Notodanthonia nigricans* (Petrie) Zotov, *Thonandia nigricans* (Petrie) H.P.Linder

FAMILY

Poaceae

AUTHORITY

Rytidosperma nigricans (Petrie) Connor et Edgar

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON

Yes

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Grasses

NVS CODE

RYTNIG

CHROMOSOME NUMBER

2n = 24

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS

2017 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES

2012 | Not Threatened

2009 | Not Threatened

2004 | Not Threatened

DISTRIBUTION

Endemic. North Island, Tararua and Rimutaka Ranges. South Island along and mainly west of the main divide from Nelson to Southland. Stewart Island.

WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FACW: Facultative Wetland

Usually is a hydrophyte but occasionally found in uplands (non-wetlands).

MANAAKI WHENUA ONLINE INTERACTIVE KEY

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ETYMOLOGY

rytidosperma: Wrinkled seed

nigricans: Blackish



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WHERE TO BUY

Not commercially available.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/rytidosperma-nigricans/>