



## *Celmisia angustifolia*

### Common Name(s):

Strap-leaved daisy

### Current Threat Status (2012):

Not Threatened

### Distribution:

Endemic. South Island: Easterly from south Marlborough to Otago

### Habitat:

Montane to alpine in grassland, fell field and at the base of stable talus and scree slopes

### Features\*:

Small subshrub with woody, often multicipital, stock; branches close-set, clad in persistent, imbricate leaf-remnants; living leaves rosulate at tips of branchlets. Lamina coriaceous, not or only slightly viscid, 25-50 × 2-6 mm, linear to linear-spathulate; upper surface clad in thin ± deciduous pellicle; lower in appressed somewhat soft to satiny white tomentum; midrib pale, usually evident; apex obtuse to subacute; margins entire or minutely denticulate. Base suddenly expanded into sheath ± 15 × 5-6 mm, glabrous, translucent, longitudinal veins fine. Scape slender, viscid, up to c. 150 mm long; bracts linear-subulate, remote, lower with lamina c.20 mm long. Capitula 20-40 mm diameter. Involucral bracts c.10 mm. long, linear-lanceolate, indurated towards base and pale brown, with very prominent midrib; upper half thin, floccose on margins and ± viscid. Ray-florets c.16 mm long, white, linear, ± glandular, limb much recurved when dry, apex 3-4-toothed. Disk-florets c.6 mm long, very narrow-funnelform, teeth c.1 mm long, ovate-triangular. Achenes c.3 mm long, cylindric, ribs densely clad in rather long ascending silky hairs. Pappus-hairs up to c.5 mm long, white, slender, very finely barbellate.

### Flowering:

October - January

### Fruiting:

November - April

### Threats:

Not Threatened

### \*Attribution:

Description adapted from: Allan, H.H. 1961: Flora of New Zealand. Vol. I, Government Printer, Wellington.

### References and further reading:

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### For more information, visit:

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**Caption:** Jane Peak area, Eyre Mountains, 1500m

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