



## *Celmisia lateralis*

### **Common Name(s):**

shrub daisy

### **Current Threat Status (2012):**

Not Threatened

### **Distribution:**

Endemic. South Island: North-West Nelson to North Westland (Paparoa Range).

### **Habitat:**

Upper montane to subalpine. In rocky places, grassland, herbfield and fellfield

### **Features\*:**

Prostrate or scrambling subshrub up to 300 × 100 mm, with slender branched stems up to 400 mm long; branchlets usually close-set. Leaves numerous, densely imbricate, ascending, incurved at tips but becoming reflexed. Lamina 6.0-12.0 × 1.0-1.5 mm; linear, grading into sheath, coriaceous; upper surface glabrous, ± glandular; lower surface similar; apex acuminate to obtuse; ± glandular-pubescent; sheath 2-3 mm long, membranous, with a few ± appressed hairs at base. Scape slender, 40-80 mm long, glandular-pubescent, with or without floccose hairs; bracts similar to leaves, up to 10 mm long. Capitula 10-20 mm diameter; involucre bracts 2-seriate, subulate-lanceolate to narrow-oblong, acute, up to 8 mm long, glandular, hairs ± floccose. Ray-florets c.10 mm long, white, linear, abruptly expanded towards 3-5-toothed apex; disk-florets tubular, slightly > pappus. Achenes narrow-cylindric, compressed, 2-3 mm long, ribs with long ascending hairs. Pappus-hairs sordid-white, very slender to filiform, finely barbellate, up to c.5 mm long

### **Flowering:**

November - March

### **Fruiting:**

December - May

### **Threats:**

Not Threatened

### **\*Attribution:**

Description adapted from Allan (1961)

### **References and further reading:**

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