



Veronica stricta var. *lata*

Common Name(s):

koromiko

Current Threat Status (2012):

Not Threatened

Distribution:

Endemic to the Central North Island and Raukumara Ranges.

Habitat:

Common in open sites within montane forest, in subalpine scrub and associated talus slopes.

Features*:

Compact shrub < 1 m tall, usually wider than tall. Branchlets glabrescent. Stem internodes shorter than or equal to stem diameter. Leaf bud without sinus. Leaves, spreading, 50-115 mm, dark green, glossy, elliptic, fleshy, apex acute, leaf margin usually entire, or toothed. Inflorescence lateral, racemose, much longer than leaves, occasionally drooping, bracts and calyx-lobes ciliolate otherwise all other inflorescence structures glabrous. Flowers white, not obviously scented. Corolla tube 6 mm, exceeding calyx, narrow, cylindric, lobes rounded. Capsules < 5 mm long, glabrous, erect.

Flowering:

(July-) August (-October) but flowering can also occur sporadically throughout the year

Fruiting:

(September-) November (-January) but seed capsules may be found throughout the year

Threats:

Not Threatened

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References and further reading:

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