



## *Triglochin striata*

### Common Name(s):

Triglochin

### Current Threat Status (2012):

Not Threatened

### Distribution:

Indigenous to New Zealand. Three Kings, North, South, Stewart, and Chatham Islands. Also present in South America, America, Africa, Australia and south Portugal.

### Habitat:

Mainly coastal in damp muddy ground, salt marsh, estuaries, and damp seepages on coastal cliffs, boulder beaches and within damp coastal turf. Also found inland around lake margins (in marginal turf communities) and in other suitable damp places. Sometimes even in tall forest.

### Features\*:

Fleshy, grass-like tufted or sward forming perennial herb. Bases not bulbous, roots distinctly fibrous. Leaves 10-400x 0.3-2.0 mm, dark green, reddish green or brown-green, ligule rounded to subacute; lamina linear, linear-filiform, flattened toward subacute apex. Inflorescence racemose, 10-200 mm long; pedicels 1-3 mm long, set at a rather wide angle to axis. Flowers(1-)2 mm long; stilar apices green or reddish-green, slightly spreading. fruit 2-3 mm long, dark green, reddish green to brown, subglobose, comprising 3 keeled fertile follicles and 3 narrower sterile carpels, all rather loosely attached to carpophore.

### Flowering:

September - January

### Fruiting:

October - May

### Threats:

Not Threatened

### \*Attribution:

Description adapted from Moore and Edgar (1970).

### References and further reading:

Moore, L.B.; Edgar, E. 1970: Flora of New Zealand. Vol. I. Government Printer, Wellington.

### For more information, visit:

[http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora\\_details.asp?ID=2277](http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora_details.asp?ID=2277)



**Caption:** Fruit. North Otago  
**Photographer:** John Barkla



**Caption:** Small plant amongst exotic weeds and grasses. Lake Wairarapa. Nov 2011.  
**Photographer:** Jeremy Rolfe