



Erica cinerea

Common Name(s):

bell heather

Current Threat Status (2009):

Exotic

Habitat:

Low stature shrub and tussock communities

Features:

Small shrub sometimes very low and mat forming. Lvs in whorls of three sometimes opposite, 3-6 mm long, revolute with contiguous margins concealing the lower surface, glabrous except sometimes ciliolate margin. Petioles very short. Fls in terminal racemes, sometimes appearing umbellate. Corolla c. 6 mm long, urceolate, purple, rose, pink or occasionally white, glabrous. Style sometimes sticks out a bit from the corolla. Capsule c. 1.5 mm long.

Flowering:

December, January, February

For more information, visit:

http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora_details.asp?ID=4612



Caption: Tongariro National Park.
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Photographer: Colin Ogle



Caption: Tawhai Falls Track,
Ruapehu

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