



## *Pleurophyllum criniferum*

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

At Risk - Naturally Uncommon

### **Distribution:**

Endemic. Auckland, Campbell and Antipodes Islands

### **Habitat:**

Coastal and lower montane peaty herbfield

### **Features\*:**

Radical leaves ascending, up to > 1 m long including petiole; lamina of diverse shape, usually of oblong-ovate to broadly lanceolate order, clad below in thin appressed white tomentum, above in scattered setose and moniliform hairs, submembr.; ribs up to 20, less prominent than in *P. speciosum*; margins rather distantly and obscurely crenate with conspicuous linear hydathodes. Scapes stout, grooved, up to 2 m tall; lower leaves linear-oblong, diminishing to linear bracts. Capitula c.15-30, in elongate racemes; ray-florets short, inconspicuous; disk-florets purple. Involucral bracts acuminate, ciliate. Achenes densely strigose. Pappus-hairs slightly thickened at tips

### **Flowering:**

December – February

### **Fruiting:**

January – May

### **Threats:**

A naturally uncommon endemic. Widespread within its island habitats. The subantarctic islands on which it occurs are Nature Reserves and World Heritage sites with access only by permit, and strictly limited as to numbers of people.

### **\*Attribution:**

Description adapted from: Allan, H.H. 1961: Flora of New Zealand

### **For more information, visit:**

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