Crepidomanes humile

Current Threat Status (2012):

Naturally Uncommon

Distribution:

Indigenous. Kermadec Islands (Raoul Island only). Circumtropical - widespread throughout the Pacific and in Asia and northern Australia.

Habitat:

Confined to 'wet forest' on Raoul Island where it plants have been found growing as low epiphyte amongst Radula cordiloba subsp. erigens and on shaded rock faces on the eastern flank of Prospect Hill

Flowering:

Not Applicable - spore producing

Fruiting:

Not Applicable - spore producing

Threats:

The only known New Zealand population is confined to Raoul Island, an active volcanic island and part of the Kermadec Islands Nature Reserve. There the species is judged secure from human related threats. However, Crepidomanes humile was only recognised in May 2011 and it does seem to genuinely scarce on Raoul Island based on the lack of previous collections and its current seemingly very limited occurrence near Prospect Hill. The species as a new record for the New Zealand Botanical Region has yet to be formally assigned a threat listing, however, it does appear to warrant the status "At Risk/Naturally Uncommon" qualified DP, SO



Caption: Raoul Island. Nov 2011. **Photographer:** Jeremy Rolfe from a specimen collected May 2011 by Peter de Lange.



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