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SCALAR FLORA OF MATIU (SOMES) ISLAND (NZMS 260 R27663925,  
Altitude 72 m a.s.l.) AND ADJACENT ROCKSTACKS, WELLINGTON HARBOUR

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Based on a seven hour visit by P. dL, (19 September 1991) and a checklist published by Freegard & Weeber (1986). Additions made by members of the Wellington Botanical Society (1 August 1992), (8 additions) and by P. dL & G.M.C. (4 September 1992), (29 additions).

## Abbreviations

- (Unc) = Uncommon  
 p = planted (115 species)  
 (n) = planted on Matiu and subsequently naturalised but not considered indigenous to the island (32 species)  
 (i) = species indigenous to Matiu but also naturalised from plantings of unprovenanced material (12 species)  
 \* = adventive or exotic species planted and/or naturalised on Matiu (152 species)  
 † = species additions to those recorded by Freegard & Weeber (1986) (219 species)  
 (Freegard & Weeber 1986) = species not seen by P.J. de Lange (9 species)

Doubtful and Erroneous records are listed separately on page 9.

FERNS (23)

- Adiantum cunninghamii*†  
*Asplenium bulbiferum* s.s.  
*A. flabellifolium*†  
*A. flaccidum* s.s.  
*A. hookerianum*† (Unc)  
*A. oblongifolium* (Unc)  
*A. obtusatum* s.s.† WELT P8727  
*A. polyodon*†  
*A. terrestre* subsp. *maritimum*†  
*Blechnum banksii*  
*Blechnum minus*†  
*B.* sp. ‘black spot’ (*B. capense* sensu Allan 1961)† (Unc)  
*Cyathea dealbata*  
*C. medullaris* p,i  
*Dicksonia squarrosa*† - small plant  
*Hypolepis ambigua*† (Unc)  
*H. lactea* (Unc)  
*Lastreopsis microsoria* subsp. *peniangularis*† (Unc)  
*Pellaea rotundifolia*†  
*Phymatosorus pustulatus*

*Polystichum richardii*  
*Pteridium esculentum*  
*Pyrrosia eleagnifolia*

### GYMNOSPERMS (9)

*Agathis australis* † p  
 \**Cupressus macrocarpa* p,n  
*Dacrycarpus dacrydioides* p  
*Dacrydium cupressinum* † p  
 \**Pinus radiata* p,n  
*Phyllocladus trichomanoides* † p  
*Podocarpus totara* (Unc) - one tree only      CHR  
*Prumnopitys ferruginea* p  
*P. taxifolia* p (Freegard & Weeber 1986)

### MONOCOTYLEDONOUS TREES (2)

*Cordyline australis* p,i  
*Rhopalostylis sapida* † p

### MONOCOTYLEDONOUS LIANES (2)

*Freycinetia banksii* † (Unc)  
*Ripogonum scandens* † (Unc) Seedling

### DICOTYLEDONOUS TREES & SHRUBS (105)

*Alectryon excelsus* var. 'excelsus' p  
*Aristotelia serrata* p  
*Brachyglottis repanda* p, ?n  
*B. greyii* var. 'compacta' † (Unc) p  
*B. greyii* var. 'greyii' † (Unc) p  
*B. greyii* x *monroi* var. 'compacta' † p  
*Cassinia leptophylla* var. 'leptophylla'  
 \**Chamaecytisus palmensis* † p, n  
 \**Chrysanthemoides monilifera* † (Unc)  
*Cianthus puniceus* p  
*Coprosma crassifolia* † (Unc)  
*C. grandifolia*  
*C. lucida* † (Unc) p,i  
*C. macrocarpa* subsp 'macrocarpa' † p  
*C. parviflora* s.s. p (Freegard & Weeber 1986)  
*C. propinqua*  
*C. repens* ~~including~~ C. repens s.s. & C. repens form (i) of Eagle (1982)  
*C. rhamnoides*                  ↓  
*C. robusta* p,i                  small fruit

- C. propinqua* x *repens*† (Unc)  
*C. propinqua* x *robusta*  
*Corokia buddleioides* p (Freegard & Weeber 1986)  
*C. cotoneaster* p  
*C. buddleioides* x *cotoneaster* (*C. x virgata*)† p  
*Corynocarpus laevigatus* p,i  
*Dodonaea viscosa* p,n  
*Dysoxylum spectabile* p  
*Elaeocarpus dentatus*† p  
*Entelea arborescens*† p  
\**Erica lusitanica*†  
\**Eucalyptus saligna* sp.† p,n  
*Geniostoma rupestre* var. *ligustrifolium*† (Unc)  
*Griselinia littoralis* p  
*G. lucida* p,i  
*Hebe* 'arborea'†, p  
*H. cupressoides*† (Unc) p  
*H. elliptica* var. *elliptica*† p,n      CHR  
*H. odora*† p  
*H. recurva* (incl. *H. albicans*)† p  
*H. speciosa* s.s. p  
*H. stricta* var. *atkinsonii*†  
*H. stricta* var. *macroura*†  
*H. stricta* var. *stricta*† (Unc) p  
*H. stricta* var. *atkinsonii* ≈ var. *macroura*† (Unc)  
*H. x andersonii* 'Andersonii' (*H. salicifolia* x *speciosa*)† p  
*H. x andersonii* 'Andersonii variegata' (*H. salicifolia* x *speciosa*)† (Unc) p  
*H. 'Boulder Lake'* (*H. diosmifolia* x 'arborea')† p  
*H. 'Inspiration'* (*H. diosmifolia* x *speciosa*)† p  
*H. x carnea* 'Carnea' (*H. speciosa* x '?')† (Unc) p  
*H. x francisana* 'Blue Gem' (*H. elliptica* var. *elliptica* (Falklands provenance) x *speciosa*)† p,n  
*H. x 'La Seduisante'* (*H. speciosa* x '?')† p,n  
*H. speciosa* 'variegata'† (Unc) p  
*Hedycarya arborea* p  
*Hoheria populnea* var. 'populnea' p  
*Knightia excelsa* p  
*Kunzea ericoides* var. *ericoides* p  
*Leptospermum scoparium* (+ cultivars) p  
*Leucopogon fasciculatus*† (Unc)  
*L. fraserii*  
\**Lupinus arboreus*  
\**Lycium ferocissimum*  
*Macropiper excelsum* var. *excelsum* p,?i  
*Melicytus crassifolius*  
*M. obovatus* var. 'obovatus' (Unc)      CHR  
*M. ramiflorus* var. *ramiflorus* p,i  
*Meryta sinclairii*† (Unc) p  
*Metrosideros excelsa* p,n  
*M. kermadecensis* p

- M. laetum* var. *laetum* p, i  
*Myoporum insulare*† p  
*Myoporum laetum* var. *laetum* p,i  
*Myrsine australis*  
\**Olea europaea* p (Freegard & Weeber 1986)  
*Olearia albida*†  
*O. angulata*† p  
*O. paniculata*  
*O. solandri* (Unc)  
*O. traversii* p  
*O. x haastii* (*O. aviceniifolia* x *moschata*)† p  
*Pimelea prostrata* (incl. semi-erect forms possibly planted on island)  
*P. urvilleana*† (Unc)  
*Pittosporum crassifolium* p,n  
*P. eugenoides* p  
*P. ralphii* p  
*P. tenuifolium* subsp. 'tenuifolium' p  
\**P. undulatum*† p  
*Pomaderris apetala* p  
\**P. aspera*† (Unc) p,n  
*P. ericaefolia*† (Unc) (seedlings only)  
*P. kumeraho* p (Freegard & Weeber 1986)  
*Pseudopanax arboreus* p  
*P. crassifolius* p  
*P. ferox*† (Unc) p  
*P. laetus* p  
*P. lessonii* p  
*P. crassifolius* x *lessonii*† p  
\**Racosperma melanoxylon*† p,n  
\**Sambucus nigra*  
*Schefflera digitata*† p  
*Solanum aviculare* p,i  
*S. lacinatum*  
*Sophora microphylla* var. *microphylla* p,i CHR  
*S. tetraptera*† p  
\**Ulex europaeus*†  
*Vitex lucens*† p

#### DICOTYLEDONOUS LIANES AND RELATED SCRAMBLING PLANTS (12)

- Calystegia sepium* agg.† (Unc)  
*C. soldanella*  
*C. turguriorum*†  
*Clematis forsterii*†  
*C. paniculata* (Freegard & Weeber 1986)  
*Fuchsia procumbens*† p,?n  
*Metrosideros perforata*†  
*Muehlenbeckia australis*  
*M. complexa*†

*M. australis* x *complexa*†

\**Rubus fruticosus* agg. †

*Tetragonia trigyna*

### GRASSES (37)

\**Agrostis capillaris*

\**A. stolonifera*†

\**Aira caryophylla* subsp. *caryophylla*†

\**Ammophila arenaria*† (Unc)

\**Arrhenatherum elatius* subsp. *elatius*

\**Anthoxanthum odoratum*

\**Bromus diandrus*

\**B. hordeaceus*†

\**B. willdenowii*

\**Catapodium rigidum*†

*Cortaderia fulvida*

\* *C. jubata*† p,n

*C. toetoe*†

\**Dactylis glomerata*†

*Deyeuxia avenoides*†

*D. billardieri*†

\**Ehrharta erecta*†

\**Elymus rectisetus* (Unc)†

*E. 'glaucous'*

\**Festuca arundinacea*†

*F. multinodis*†

\**F. rubra*†

\**Holcus lanatus*

\**Hordeum murinum*

*Lachnagrostis filiformis* s.s.†

\**Lolium perenne*

*Oplismenus imbecillus*† (Unc)

*Poa anceps* var. *anceps* WELT 61219

\**P. annua*†

*P. cita*†

\**Pseudosasa japonica*† (Unc) p,n

\**P. pratensis*†

*Puccinella stricta*†

\**Rytidosperma racemosum*†

\**R. sp.*†

\**Sporobolus africanus*†

*Trisetum antarcticum* s.s.†

### ORCHIDS (3)

*Bulbophyllum pygmaeum*† (Unc)

*Microtis unifolia* p, i

*Thelymitra longifolia* subsp. ‘*longifolia*’†

### RUSHES (3)

*Juncus gregiflorus*† (Unc)  
*J. maritimus* var. *australiensis*† (Unc)  
*Luzula banksiana* s.s.

## SEDGES (12)

- \**Carex divulsa*†
  - Carex flagellifera*†
  - C. lessoniana*† (Unc) - wet seepage near lighthouse
  - C. trifida* p (Freegard & Weeber 1986)
  - C. virgata*†
  - \**Cyperus tenellus*†
  - C. ustulatus*
  - Isolepis cernua*†
  - I. habrust*† (Unc) - wet seepage near lighthouse
  - \**I. marginata*†
  - I. nodosa*
  - \**I. sepulcralis*†

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**MONOCOTYLEDONOUS HERBS (Other than Grasses, Orchids, Rushes and Sedges) (16)**

- \**Aloe arborescens*† p
  - \**Allium triquetrum*†
  - Arthropodium candidum*†
  - A. cirrhatum* p
  - Astelia solandri*† (Unc)
  - \**Kniphofia* ? *uvaria*† p
  - Lemna minor* (Unc)
  - Leucojum aestivum*† (Unc) p
  - Libertia ixoides* p,i
  - \**Narcissus* x *incomparabilis*† (Unc) p,n
  - \**N. pseudonarcissus*† p,n
  - \**N. tarzetta* var. ?*italica*† p,n
  - Phormium cookianum*
  - P. tenax* p,n
  - \**Sisyrinchium iridifolium*†
  - Triglochin striatum*

## DICOTYLEDONOUS COMPOSITE HERBS (34)

- \**Achillea millefolium*
- \**Arctotheca calendula*
- \**Bellis perennis*†
- \**Carduus nutans*† (Unc)
- \**C. tenuiflorus*†
- \**Cirsium arvense*†
- \**C. vulgaris*
- Cotula australis*†
- C. coronopifolia*†
- Craspedia uniflora* var. *maritima*† (Unc)
- \**Crepis capillaris*†
- \**Conyza albida*†
- Gnaphalium audax*
- \**Hypochaeris radicata*
- Lagenifera petiolata*†
- \**Lapsana communis*†
- \**Leontodon taraxacoides*†
- Leptinella dioica* subsp. *dioica*† (Unc)
- \**Mycelis muralis*†
- \**Osteospermum fruticosum*† p,n
- \**Picris echioides*†
- Pseudognaphalium* sp. *luteo-album* agg.†
- \**Senecio angulatus*† (Unc) - eradicated
- \**S. elegans*† (Unc)
- \**S. glastifolius*† (Unc) - one plant (eradicated)
- S. glomeratus*†
- S. laetus* subsp. *lautus* var. *lautus*                    CHR
- \**S. sterquilinus*†    CHR
- \**Silybum marginatum*†
- \**Solvia sessilis*†
- \**Sonchus asper*†
- S. kirkii*† (Unc)
- \**S. oleraceus*
- \**Taraxacum officinale*

## DICOTYLEDONOUS HERBS (Other than composites) (109)

- \**Acaena novae-zelandiae*
- Aciphylla squarrosa* s.s.
- \**Aeonium arboreum*† p
- \**A. harworthii*† p,n
- \**Anagallis arvensis* subsp. *arvensis* var. *arvensis*†
- Apium prostratum*
- \**Atriplex prostrata*
- \**Brassica oleracea*†
- \**Callitriches stagnalis*†

- \**Capsella bursa-pastoris*† (Unc)
- \**Cardamine hirsuta*†
- Centella uniflora*†
- \**Cerastium glomeratum* †
- Colobanthus muelleri*
- \**Coronopus didymus*†
- \**C. squamatus*† (Unc)
- \**Cotyledon orbiculata* var. *orbiculata*† (Unc) p,n
- \**Crassula coccinea*† p
- \**C. decumbens*
- C. moschata*
- C. peduncularis*† (Unc) - one patch on eastern side by jetty
- C. ruamahanga*† (Unc) - one patch near lighthouse in shaded pool
- C. sieberiana*
- \**C. spathulata*† (Unc) p,n
- \**C. tetragona*† (Unc) p,n
- Dichondria repens*†
- Disphyma australe* subsp. *australe*
- \**Drosanthemum floribundum*† p,n
- \**Echium candicans*† (Unc) p,n
- Einadia triandra*
- Epilobium nummularifolium*†
- \**Erodium circutarium*†
- \**Euphorbia peplus*†
- \**Foeniculum vulgare*†
- \**Fumaria muralis*
- \**Galium aparine*
- G. propinquum*† (Unc)
- \**Geranium dissectum*†
- \**G. molle*
- \**Glaucum flavum*
- Haloragis erecta* subsp. *erecta*
- \**Hibiscus trionum* (N.Z. form lacking blotched centre)† (Unc) p
- Hydrocotyle heteromeria*† (Unc) - naturalised? only in lawns
- H. 'laciniata'*† (Unc) - naturalised? only in lawns
- H. microphylla*† (Unc) - naturalised? only in lawns
- H. moschata* s.s.†
- \**Lavatera arborea*
- Lilaeopsis novae-zelandiae*
- \**Limosella lineata*† (Unc) - one patch on eastern side by jetty
- Linum monogynum* WELT 51076
- Lobelia anceps*
- \**Marrubium vulgare*
- \**Medicago arabica*
- \**M. polymorpha*
- \**M. sativa*†
- \**Orobanche minor*
- Oxalis exilis* †
- \**O. incarnata*†

- \**O. latifolia*
- O. rubens*† (Unc)
- Parietaria debilis*† (Unc)
- \**P. judicia*†
- \**Pelargonium x asperum*† (Unc) p
- \**P. x domesticum*† (Unc) p
- Peperomia urvilleana*†
- \**Phytolacca octandra*†
- \**Plantago australis*
- \**P. coronopus*
- \**P. lanceolata*
- \**Polycarpon tetraphyllum*
- \**Portulaca oleracea*†
- \**Raphanus raphanistrum* subsp. *maritimum*
- \**Rapistrum rugosum*†
- Ranunculus acaulis*
- \**R. parviflorus*†
- \**R. repens*†
- \**Rorippa nasturtium-officinale*†
- \**Rumex acetosella*
- \**R. aviculare*†
- \**R. conglomeratus*†
- \**R. crispus*
- \**R. obtusifolius*†
- \**R. pulcher*† (Unc)
- \**Sagina procumbens*
- Samolus repens*
- Sarcocornia quinquefolia*
- \**Saxifraga stolonifera*† (Unc) p,n
- \**Sedum acre*† (Unc) p,n
- \**S. praealtum*† (Unc) p,n
- Selleria radicans*
- \**Silene gallica*
- Solanum americanum*† (Unc)
- \**S. nigrum*
- \**S. tuberosum*† (Unc) p,n
- Spergularia marginatum* (Unc)
- \**S. rubra*†
- \**Stellaria media*†
- \**Suaeda novae-zelandiae*† (historically present, Freegard & Weeber 1986, pg.38  
but not recorded by Freegard & Weeber in their species list)
- \**Sisymbrium orientale*
- \**Trifolium pratense*
- \**T. repens*
- \**Urtica dioica* subsp. *dioica*†
- \**U. urens*
- \**Veronica persica*†
- \**V. serpyllifolia*†
- \**Verbascum thapsus*†

\**Vicia hirsuta* (Freegard & Weeber 1986)

\**V. sativa* var. *sativa*

\**Vinca major*

*Wahlenbergia gracilis*†      WELT 44794

TOTAL: 366 species and hybrids (141 of these are considered indigenous to Matiu)

#### DOUBTFUL AND ERRONEOUS RECORDS (3 species)

Record	Probable identity
<i>Elymus rectisetus</i> <sup>1</sup> (Freegard & Weeber 1986)	<i>E. 'glaucous'</i> (In part)
<i>Myrsine divaricata</i> (Freegard & Weeber 1986)	?
<i>Urtica ferox</i> (Freegard & Weeber 1986)	<i>U dioica</i> subsp. <i>dioica</i>

<sup>1</sup> True *E. rectisetus* is an uncommon plant on Matiu, confined to a small area of rough pasture on the northern end of the island. It is quite probable then that Freegard & Weeber (1986) confused *E. rectisetus* for *E. "glaucous"* as this is the more common species on the island. For this reason *E. rectisetus* s.s. is treated as a new record for Matiu and *E. "glaucous"* is not.

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