

Crossword

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Across

1. A genus spelt the way William Colenso crossed a river when he had to take his trousers off.
12. Approximately half a score of grasses.
13. The first gardener (I wonder whether she got her hands dirty).
14. We should all have this in life.
15. International Unit (inits) + the basic unit in taxonomy (abbrev.).
16. Three-quarters of the Christian name of a well known N.Z. botanist who was recently made redundant.
17. Three-quarters of an oven but still not small enough to cook in.
18. A northern shrub with a relative in the S Island (inits).
20. A woolly-leaved summer-green herb (inits).
21. Botanist (inits) + southern town in which he lives (init.).
24. Epiphytic orchid (inits).
26. Name of an examination (inits) + "for example" seen in a mirror.
28. The first three letters of an uncommon annual fern.

29. A tree (T.R.M.) + a Tatarua creek in which it is not found.
31. These creeping plants grow in damp places.
33. This will help you get to the mountains in your car.
34. Botsoccers can hardly be described as belonging to one of these (last two letters first, first two last).
35. Two of the least common orchid genera.
36. We won't have to negotiate one of these to reach our "Castle" this summer.
37. Alpine *Astelia* species (inits).
38. A coastal climbing plant(inits).
40. An infraspecific taxonomic unit (abbrev.).
42. Half of the deepest lake in the world.
44. Some botanists find climbing a mountain a bit of a
46. Three-quarters of the skipper (seen in a mirror) of a famous ship.
48. It may be a long time before "Kiwis" do with out this; in the meantime we can drop the vowels and "y"s.
49. Rodney can be found like this after lunch sometimes + where he should be doing this (inits).
51. Celery packages.

Down

1. This species doesn't cling to you like some others in the genus.
2. A NZ genus comprising one small, recently-described species.
3. A lake in the Umbrella Mts.
4. An alpine buttercup, found only in N Island (inits).
5. The first half of a large genus of herbs (one species is probably in your garden).
6. Barbara M. knows all about stray-ing over this.
7. I wouldn't like to be present at a meeting of this National Association if I were a schoolboy (inits).
8. First half of the way apples and other fruits are commonly grown now.
9. Three-quarters of the genus with the largest number of species in New Zealand.
10. A coastal tree is named after this Arab philosopher.
11. We belong to this (inits for last two words).
17. A high degree of this does not necessarily ensure success.
19. Half of a genus of water plants.
22. One of the five kingdoms + relatively rare (abbrev.), the whole reversed (the two words together have a special significance for conservationists).
23. More than half of a sow thistle.
25. One of the few genera of succulent plants in NZ.
27. The remaining quarter of 9 Down + prominent environmental organisation.
29. A native tree with only one relative in NZ, but many overseas (inits).
30. Very large.
32. Kind of fruit, also kind of person.
36. Not held in high regard these days.
39. The third syllable of a shrub that reaches it southern limit in the Horokiwi Valley.
41. I hope you won't speak disparagingly of me for mis-spelling this word.
43. The same as 2 Down, spelt backwards (does it make any difference?).
45. This caused the death of Cleopatra.
46. This mammal climbs trees.
47. Many plants yield this substance.
50. There's nothing crass about this fine mountain herb (inits).

Abbreviations

inits: initials

abbr: abbreviation

TRM: Te Reo Maori

All plants referred to are NZ natives

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