Otari BioBlitz: detailing vascular plants, mosses and liverworts

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INTRODUCTION

To celebrate the centenary of Otari-Wilton's Bush the Trust Board carried out a BioBlitz. Members of the Wellington Botanical Society were involved in the planning and took responsibility for the vascular plants, liverworts, mosses and lichens. Others were responsible for fungi and algae, and for the mammal, bird, fish and insect life. In this report we give an outline of the planning and implementation of the Otari-Wilton's Bush BioBlitz held on 23/24 March 2007 and present a summary of the floristic outcome.



Figure 1. Otari-Wilton's bush looking east from the lookout at Cockayne Lawn.

Landcare Research had carried out a BioBlitz in Hagley Park, Christchurch, in 2005 and we were aware of several others in Auckland and in Minnesota. There are no rules for such enterprises. The general principle is to find as many species of flora and fauna as possible, in a predetermined area, in a 24-hour period.

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VEGETATION AND INFLUENCES

Otari-Wilton's Bush consists of about 100 hectares of mainly native bush of which 5 to 7 hectares are formal planting. The reserve, at latitude 41°S, is on hill slopes in the catchment of the Kaiwharawhara Stream. The stream flows generally north-east within Otari. The valley sides rise from about 70 to 280 metres above sea level. The underlying rock is greywacke. There are several side streams cutting through on the north side of the main valley giving well shaded gullies. Generally east/west earthquake faulting has resulted in small waterfalls in some of the side gullies.

Originally, Otari was predominantly podocarp-hardwood forest and kohekohe semi-coastal forest (Reid 1996). On the lower slopes there is now regenerating forest with substantial trees and with some emergent older podocarps and rewarewa (Fig. 1). On the higher south-facing slopes of the main valley the regeneration is less advanced with shrubs to around 2 m tall.

Otari has a temperate climate with occasional frosts in open areas. Average annual rainfall in the period 1971–2000 at nearby Kelburn was 1,249 mm. Wind has not had a great influence, however, windfall damage does occur spasmodically in the valley. Wind sheer of the vegetation on the higher north slopes is apparent. Although Otari is inland, Stan Reid (1989 p. 114) noted that some of his plots were affected by 'blasting salt laden southerly winds'. This is not now apparent to the casual observer.

Felling and clearing during the second half of the 19th century resulted in the removal of larger trees and nikau. From 1840, timber was taken for building and fencing whilst nikau was cut to supply firewood. The bush on the ridges and spurs was burnt off when the land was cleared for farming but the bush in the gullies survived. Job Wilton, an early land owner on the Tinakori Hill side of the Kaiwharawhara Stream, turned much of the bush into pasture from 1860 onwards. He retained 11 acres of forest intact around the house and cow paddock. This forms the mature forest to the west of Churchill Drive between the stream and Wilton Road, described by Myers (1985) as near virgin rimutawa forest. Deeper valleys on the north-west side of the stream, such as the Bledisloe Gorge, also retain remnants of the original forest.

The first block of land that now makes up Otari was "set apart in 1927 by the Wellington City Council as a reserve for planting within its boundaries of as complete a collection as possible of the indigenous plants of the New Zealand Botanical Region" (Cockayne 1932, p.1).

Farming on the northern boundary now has minimal impact, although animal intrusion in the past did reduce palatable species. Possum control was instigated by Leonard Cockayne in 1928—possibly the earliest such programme in a reserve (Nightingale and Dingwall 2003). Whilst periodic control has kept numbers down, palatable plants, such as *Pseudopanax* and *Schefflera*, are not as well represented as they might be. The urban neighbours on two sides of Otari have contributed a good representation of garden plants and weeds. This is especially so at the eastern end where garden waste has entered the headwaters of the MacKenzie Burn and been carried downstream to the pathed areas of the reserve. This has occurred to a lesser extent where the Kaiwharawhara Stream enters the reserve from the old tip face at the south-western end of Otari. Another source of weeds is bird-carried from uncontrolled barberry on nearby reserves such as Johnson Hill. Within the Otari Reserve, kererū (NZ pigeon) have helped spread karaka.

The early management plans for Otari proposed it as a repository of representative ecosystems from around New Zealand (Cockayne 1932). This has led to planting of species in the bush which are not represented in the Wellington area. Examples of the more persistent species of these plantings are the kauri and beech above the flax patch, *Elatostema rugosum* in the stream below the Information Centre and, more recently, a full representation of New Zealand beeches on the slope to the north-east of Wilton House.

THE BIOBLITZ AT OTARI

The area chosen for this BioBlitz was the natural area of Otari-Wilton's Bush, excluding the formally planted areas and the nursery. The declared aim was two-fold: to increase public awareness and to generate scientific knowledge.

Public awareness centred on informing people of the variety of life in an area contiguous with the city and to show how the biodiversity in our own backyard provides us with clean air and controlled water run off when it forms a healthy, functioning ecosystem.

The collection of information on what is growing in a specific area provides information necessary for resource management. A BioBlitz may also identify unique aspects of the area that might not otherwise be known and identify species that should be monitored or controlled.

Planning and preparation

In August 2006 the secretary of the Otari-Wilton's Bush Trust outlined the proposal for a BioBlitz to a meeting of the Wellington Botanical Society. In September, a meeting was convened at Victoria University and the initial allocation of responsibility for the scientific aspects was made under the leadership of Professor Phil Garnock-Jones. Phil continued in the role of science leader for the whole project.

Wellington Botanical Society took responsibility for the vascular and cryptogam flora, led by Rodney Lewington. The first steps were to establish what we already knew about the botany of the area and to set up teams to handle groups of taxa. Decisions were made on how to proceed prior to the BioBlitz and on the day.



Figure 2. In the lab, Rudi Schnitzler points out an entry on the screen to Joe Zuccarello, Lisa Bryant, and Eleanor Burton. Photo: Tim O'Leary.

This included preparation of lists of what was known to be in the area, determining who would look for what, and where. As the BioBlitz date got closer databases were prepared and loaded ready to portray data as the day proceeded. This was necessary both to keep a running total of the count of reported species and to generate lists of plants that were known from Otari but had not been found so far on the day.

The native vascular plants have been well recorded although a few species were added to previously prepared lists in the month leading up to 23 March. Exotic vascular plants, mosses, liverworts and lichens were less well known. Small groups of experts each made several excursions to Otari, both to list species and to get to know where to look "on the day". (Since there are no rules this was not considered unsporting.)

The vascular plant lists we worked from were based on the most recent published list (Myers 1985, Wellington City Council 1975 and 1987) and unpublished lists prepared by local botanists as well as the database maintained by staff at Otari (see Appendix).

Most of the historical moss records for Otari-Wilton's Bush derive from a bryophyte survey conducted by Ruth Mason in 1939. Her investigation was coauthored by G. O. K. Sainsbury and E. A. Hodgson, who, respectively, identified the mosses and liverworts. This unpublished document of Botany Division, DSIR (Mason *et al.* 1941) listed 79 mosses and records distribution on various substrates in four major habitats: open ground, dry bush, bush and wet bush. The survey was conducted over four days and sampled the major streams and tracks. The Te Papa herbarium (WELT) subsequently acquired, with the Sainsbury herbarium, voucher specimens for most of these records.

For the purpose of the BioBlitz, moss records in WELT were taken as a baseline. The historical records, together with more recent collections before the BioBlitz, had increased the total to 92 with a further six added during the BioBlitz. Recent access to Mason's list adds a further five mosses to the list (see Appendix), all recorded as from open ground.

Liverwort and lichen lists initially drew on herbarium records at Te Papa, and were substantially added to during preparation for the BioBlitz. The unpublished DSIR list, referred to above, (Mason *et al.* 1941) has been sighted since the BioBlitz. Additional liverwort species from this paper have been included in the Appendix but not included in the tables and discussion in the body of this paper.

By the week before BioBlitz the lists had all been prepared and entered in the computer. Printed lists were prepared for field recorders to use and our President had determined where each field group would go in the initial search.

The lab was in the Otari school hall adjacent to the reserve, and it was here that microscopes, reference material and the map to record areas visited were assembled on the morning of 23 March. The school hall was used as the control centre for both fieldwork and computer entry (Fig. 2).

At 2.30 p.m. on 23 March the field teams assembled on the Cockayne Lawn and, after some speeches, moved into the field. Most stayed out until dusk. The lists of reported species were entered into the database and by first light on the next day the lists of "missing" native and exotic vascular plants were ready for the field parties to take out. Mobile phones proved their worth with the last few finds from the higher slopes being phoned in ten minutes before the close-off at 3.00 p.m. on 24 March.

A few vascular species were not identified in the field and specimens were brought back to the "lab" for identification by experts on particular taxon groups. Lab work was necessary to identify many of the cryptogams so it was microscope work for those experts.

For the public awareness aspect, the Wellington Botanical Society members prepared a series of posters covering the history and the forest structure of Otari-Wilton's Bush as well as posters on each of the taxon groups. These posters were hung in the "lab" and later used in the Information Centre at Otari. Preparation of the posters required some research and several walks in Otari to obtain illustrative photographs.

Several members gave Powerpoint presentations during the day and took groups on short excursions into the bush. There was also a steady, if small, stream of interested people who visited the "lab". A few "set pieces" showing the smallest liverwort and the largest moss and a selection of lichens provided interest. Some visitors were encouraged to look down the microscopes.

Two trees were climbed to provide information on epiphytes. This activity proved to be popular with the public as well as yielding quite a number of mosses, liverworts and lichens and some animals.

The running total of all species was projected onto a screen in the lab and in the Otari-Wilton's Bush Information Centre where there were other displays.

RESULTS

The tally of species identified during the 24 hours of the BioBlitz was 1,345 taxa of flora and fauna within the natural area of Otari-Wilton's Bush. The flora component (excluding algae) of this total is shown in Table 1.

Fig. 3 shows that for most plant groups, new records were added to the list, with the greatest number of additions being to the adventive herbs and grasses.

Table 1. Number of taxa identified in each plant group during the BioBlitz at Otari-Wilton's Bush.

Flora	Number
Native vascular plants	208
Adventive vascular plants	153
Mosses	73
Liverworts and hornworts	51
Lichens	10
Total	495



Figure 3. Relative proportions of previously reported and unreported taxa found during the BioBlitz at Otari-Wilton's Bush.



Figure 4. Veronica javanica. Photos: Phil Garnock-Jones.

The most significant find was *Veronica javanica*, a species not only new to Otari but a new adventive record for New Zealand (Anon. 2007), collected and identified by Prof. Phil Garnock-Jones (Fig. 4).

One new liverwort discovery for the Wellington area was *Marchantia polymorpha* subsp. *ruderalis*. This northern hemisphere subspecies was first noted in the nursery and later found in the bush area. Subsequently it has been reported from other parts of Wellington.

No new lichens were added to the list during the BioBlitz because effort was expended on collecting (especially via climbing into the tree tops) and identification involves painstaking microscope work. A total of 70 lichen species were identified in the three months leading up to the BioBlitz and 10 of these species were recorded on the day, these being distinctive foliose and fruticose species that can be readily identified. In total about 170 lichen species have been identified from Otari-Wilton's Bush but there are many still to be identified.

A full list of all vascular plants, mosses, liverworts and hornworts from Otari-Wilton's Bush is presented in the Appendix. Species found and identified during the BioBlitz are indicated with "Bb". Species that are recorded as, or otherwise known to have been, planted are noted with "P". The number of plants listed in the Appendix does not tally with the numbers recorded during the BioBlitz. The rules adopted for the BioBlitz were that unidentified species could be recorded as such, e.g., *Uncinia* sp. #1, *Uncinia* sp. #2. However, while the material was sufficient for this purpose, it wasn't sufficient in some cases for positive identification subsequently because it was solely vegetative material, so some of these entries have been deleted. Plant species noted subsequent to the BioBlitz have been included in the Appendix.

DISCUSSION

Features of the flora

The number of native vascular plants found during the BioBlitz exceeds the number of exotic vascular plants by approximately 50. Two factors account for the balance favouring native species. Firstly, at least 25 of the native species recorded are known to have been planted, e.g., *Agathis australis, Nothofagus fusca, Cortaderia fulvida.* Secondly, some of the exotic species may have been eradicated, e.g., *Euonymus japonicus, Elaeagnus ×reflexa.* Species such as Darwin's barberry (*Berberis darwinii*) and wandering willie (*Tradescantia fluminensis*) have been actively controlled although are still present. Both species were recorded by Stan Reid (1996) as being particularly aggressive and requiring control. Myers (1985) also noted the need for control of adventive plants, particularly Darwin's barberry. She listed just five adventive species: onion weed (*Allium triquetrum*), Darwin's barberry, *Selaginella kraussiana,* wandering willie and gorse (*Ulex europaeus*), all of which were recorded during the BioBlitz.

The timing of the BioBlitz was not ideal for observation of geophytic orchids but it was reasonably good for other monocot groups. The team lacked specialist expertise in these groups and that probably explains the smaller than expected number of species. Future investigation and collection effort should focus on native and adventive monocots in all groups with orchids being targeted in spring/summer and other monocots in summer/autumn.

The list in the Appendix has increased the number of native vascular plants upon the previous published list (Myers 1985) by almost 50 species. The number of adventive species is substantially greater but that was to be expected as the records compiled by Myers (1985) were from reports that placed little emphasis on adventives other than the most obvious invasive species.

During the BioBlitz six additions were made to the previously recorded mosses, giving a total of 103. The total and species composition are not unexpected for this relatively dry coastal forest in the Wellington Ecological District. It is perhaps significant that about 50% of the recent additions have been epiphytes, including *Cryphaea* species (2), and *Macromitrium* (3), which are generally not abundant or conspicuous elements of the flora in the reserve. Other additions have included some of the smaller mosses of stream

and trackside soil banks such as *Fissidens* species (4) and *Distichophyllum* (2). Given the number of records recently added, further exploration is likely to add more.

There are currently 96 liverworts and 2 hornworts identified from Otari-Wilton's Bush. Further work will identify more. The occasionally dry spells in Otari result in a lack of the larger species that can be found in those parts of the Wellington district where moisture is more persistent. *Schistochila* and *Lepidozia* are notably missing from the Otari record and there is only one collection of *Balantiopsis*. On the other hand, the conditions appear to favour *Radula* which is plentiful in Otari and represented by six species.

Some harder to access parts of Otari-Wilton's Bush may yield new records, particularly of the nonvascular species. The microclimate varies considerably throughout the reserve, providing different habitats for plants.

Value of the BioBlitz

The data presented in Fig. 3 show clearly that despite considerable effort being put into compilation of lists prior to the 24 hours of the BioBlitz, concerted effort by teams of people dedicated to observation resulted in many additions to the lists. A total of 66 previously unreported taxa were found during the BioBlitz, 24 of which were adventive herbs and grasses, and 11 being native herbs and grasses. This outcome substantiates the old observation that the distribution of plant species reflects the distribution of plant collectors and, in the case of the BioBlitz, the collection effort.

BioBlitzes are an effective way of determining the biodiversity of a place and in doing so can indicate where there might be deficiencies and therefore a need for remedial management or where there is particularly rich or unique diversity that gives a place extra value. They are therefore a useful event for managers of those places. We're not so sure how much the BioBlitz may have raised the profile of biodiversity with the public. The event received a pleasing amount of media coverage but we have no way of knowing what influence the coverage or the event itself had on helping people to understand the value of biodiversity.

FUTURE

Members of the Wellington Botanical Society continue to work on the cryptogams of Otari-Wilton's Bush and additional vascular plants are certain to be noticed in the future. Some areas on the higher northern slopes above the Blue Trail and the higher catchment of the MacKenzie Burn and Bledisloe Stream remain to be explored.

The Appendix to this paper will be held on the Wellington Botanical Society website (<u>www.wellingtonbotsoc.wellington.net.nz</u>) and will be updated periodically as work proceeds. It is intended to add lichens to the website once work on these is further advanced.

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Members of the Otari-Wilton's Bush Trust planned and managed the infrastructure of the BioBlitz and provided food and drink. The Otari School allowed the use of their hall and classrooms.

Twenty seven Wellington Botanical Society members assisted during the 24 hours, making sorties into the bush to find species on the prepared lists and to identify others. Others members willingly provided help prior to the BioBlitz by updating and checking plant lists. Our sincere thanks to all of these. In particular:

- Bev Abbott allocated areas to be covered by each field team to ensure that all of the natural bush was covered. She also played a major part in the preparation of posters;
- Chris Horne and Barbara Mitcalfe led the groups responsible for native vascular plants;
- Phil Garnock-Jones, Barry Sneddon and Carol West took care of adventive vascular plants;
- Patrick Brownsey and Leon Perrie covered ferns and lycophytes;
- Jayden van Horik led the tree climbing team;
- For the cryptogams, lichens were handled by Barbara Polly and liverworts by Rodney Lewington. Peter Beveridge covered mosses, obtained moss information from the Te Papa database and tracked down the document by Mason *et al.* (1941).
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APPENDIX

Vascular plants, mosses and liverworts in the bush area of Otari-Wilton's Bush

This list is of all plants ever recorded in Otari-Wilton's Bush, excluding the formal planted areas and nursery. It is annotated to show those recorded at the BioBlitz held on 23/24 March 2007. "Bb" in the first column indicates that the species was found and identified during the BioBlitz. "P" indicates species that are known or believed to have been planted.

Nati	ve g	zymnosperms	Bb		Coprosma rhamnoides
Bb	P	Agathis australis			Coprosma rigida
Bb		Dacrycarpus dacrydioides	Bb		Coprosma robusta
Bb		Dacrydium cupressinum	Bb		Coprosma rotundifolia
Bb	Р	Libocedrus bidwillii	Bb		Coriaria arborea
	Р	Phyllocladus glaucus	Bb		Corokia cotoneaster ²
Bb	Р	Phyllocladus trichomanoides	Bb		Corynocarpus laevigatus
		Podocarpus hallii	Bb	Р	Dodonaea viscosa
Bb		Podocarpus totara	Bb		Dysoxylum spectabile
Bb		Prumnopitys ferruginea	Bb		Elaeocarpus dentatus
Bb		Prumnopitys taxifolia	Bb		Elaeocarpus hookerianus
Mati			Bb		Entelea arborescens
Bh	ver	Corduline australis	Bb		Fuchsia excorticata
Bb		Rhonalostvlis sanida			Gaultheria antipoda
Nati	ve c	licot trees and shrubs	Bb		Geniostoma ligustrifolium var. ligustrifolium
Bb	Р	Ackama rosifolia ¹	Bb	Р	Griselinia littoralis
Bb		Alectryon excelsus	Bb		Griselinia lucida
Bb		Aristotelia serrata	Bb		Hedvcarva arborea
Bb		Beilschmiedia tawa	Bb		Hoheria ovata
Bb		<i>Brachyglottis repanda</i> var.	Bb		Hoheria populnea
		repanda	Bb		Knightia excelsa
Bb		Carpodetus serratus	Bb		Kunzea ericoides var. ericoides
Bb		Coprosma areolata	Bb		Laurelia novae-zelandiae
Bb		Coprosma crassifolia	Bb		Leptospermum scoparium
Bb		Coprosma grandifolia	Bb		Leuconogon fasciculatus
		Coprosma linariifolia	Bb		Lonhomyrtus hullata
Bb		Coprosma lucida	20		Lophomyrtus obcordata
Bb		Coprosma propinqua	Bb		Macroniner excelsum subsp
Bb		Coprosma propinqua × robusta	00		excelsum
Bb		Coprosma repens	Bb		Melicope simplex

^{1.} The only *Ackama rosifolia* tree known is on the boundary between the native and planted areas.

^{2.} We have found no previous record of *Corokia cotoneaster* being in the natural area of Otari-Wilton's bush. The specimen reported in the BioBlitz may have been planted. More probably it is self-sown from the planted area of Otari or from adjacent areas since it has been reported as self-sown in the Karori Sanctuary (Chris Horne, pers. comm.).

Bb		Melicope ternata	Bb
Bb		Melicope simplex × M. ternata	Bb
Bb		Melicytus ramiflorus subsp.	
		ramiflorus	Bb
Bb		Metrosideros robusta	Bb
Bb		Myoporum laetum	Bb
Bb		Myrsine australis	Bb
Bb		Myrsine salicina	Bb
		Neomyrtus pedunculata	
Bb		Nestegis cunninghamii	Bb
Bb		Nestegis lanceolata	Bb
Bb		Nestegis montana	Bb
Bb	Р	Nothofagus fusca	Bb
Bb	Р	Nothofagus menziesii	Bb
Bb	Р	Nothofagus solandri var. solandri	Bb
Bb	Р	Nothofagus truncata	Nat
Bb	Р	Olearia albida	Bb
Bb		Olearia furfuracea	Bb
Bb	Р	Olearia paniculata ³	55
Bb		Olearia rani	Nat
Bb	Р	Olearia solandri	DD DL
Bb		Ozothamnus leptophyllus	DU
Bb		Pennantia corymbosa	DD DI
Bb	Р	Peraxilla tetrapetala ⁴	BD
Bb		Pittosporum cornifolium	BD
Bb		Pittosporum eugenioides	BD
Bb		Pittosporum ralphii	DI
Bb		Pittosporum tenuifolium	BD
	Р	Pittosporum umbellatum	DD DI
Bb	Р	Pittosporum cultivars	BD
Bb	Р	Pomaderris apetala	Nat
Bb	Р	Pomaderris kumerahou	Bb
Bb		Pseudopanax arboreus var. arboreus	N T .
Bb		Pseudopanax crassifolius	Nat
Bb		Pseudopanax crassifolius hybrids ⁵	DD
Bb		Pseudowintera axillaris	Bb

Bb		Raukaua anomalus
Bb		Raukaua edgerleyi
		Raukaua simplex
Bb		Schefflera digitata
Bb		Solanum laciniatum
Bb	Р	Sophora microphylla
Bb		Streblus banksii
Bb		Streblus heterophyllus
		Syzygium maire
Bb	Р	Teucridium parvifolium
Bb		Urtica ferox
Bb	Р	Veronica diosmifolia
Bb		Veronica parviflora
Bb		Veronica stricta
Bb		Weinmannia racemosa
Nativ	ve n	noncot lignes
Bb	ve n	Freycinetia banksii
Bb		Ripogonum scandens
Nati	vo d	icot lianos
Bb	ve u	Clematis forsteri
Bb		Clematis paniculata
Bb		Metrosideros diffusa
Bb		Metrosideros fulgens
Bb		Metrosideros perforata
Bb		Muehlenbeckia australis
		Muehlenbeckia complexa
Bb		Parsonsia heterophylla
Bb		Passiflora tetrandra
Bb		Rubus cissoides
Nati	vo h	vconhytes
Bb	ver	Huperzia varia
		Lycopodium volubile
Nat		· ·
Bb	ven	Adiantum cunninghamii
00		Adiantum dianhanum
		Adiantum viridescens

Anarthropteris lanceolata

^{3.} BioBlitz field records note this species as planted. The previous lists of plants do not record *Olearia paniculata* in the native bush (Wellington City Council 1987). The species is widespread in the North Island and could well be growing naturally in the bush area.

^{4.} With no *Quintinia* or *Nothofagus* growing naturally in Otari it seems unlikely that *Peraxilla tetrapetala* would have been there naturally or survived possum browsing. Over the past decade several attempts have been made to grow this from seed. A single successful implant from 2001 is on black beech.

^{5.} *Pseudopanax crassifolius* hybrids are found in several places in the bush area. It is suggested that they are the result of crossing with species in gardens adjacent to Otari.

Bb	Arthropteris tenella		Hypolepis rufobarbata
Bb	Asplenium bulbiferum	Bb	Lastreopsis glabella
Bb	Asplenium bulbiferum × A.	Bb	Lastreopsis hispida
	gracillimum	Bb	Lastreopsis velutina
Bb	Asplenium flabellifolium	Bb	Leptolepia novae-zelandiae
Bb	Asplenium flaccidum	Bb	Leptopteris hymenophylloides
Bb	Asplenium flaccidum × A.		Lindsaea trichomanoides
	gracillimum	Bb	Microsorum pustulatum
Bb	Asplenium gracillimum	Bb	Microsorum scandens
Bb	Asplenium hookerianum	Bb	Paesia scaberula
Bb	Asplenium oblongifolium	Bb	Pellaea rotundifolia
Bb	Asplenium polyodon	Bb	Pneumatopteris pennigera
Bb	Blechnum chambersii	Bb	Polystichum neozelandicum
Bb	Blechnum discolor		subsp. zerophyllum
Bb	Blechnum filiforme	Bb	Polystichum silvaticum
	Blechnum fluviatile		Polystichum vestitum
Bb	Blechnum membranaceum	Bb	Pteridium esculentum
	Blechnum minus	Bb	Pteris macilenta
Bb	Blechnum novae-zelandiae	Bb	Pteris tremula
Bb	Blechnum penna-marina	Bb	Pyrrosia eleagnifolia
Bb	Blechnum procerum	Bb	Rumohra adiantiformis
Bb	Cyathea cunninghamii	Bb	Tmesipteris elongata
Bb	Cyathea dealbata	Bb	Tmesipteris tannensis
Bb	Cyathea medullaris	Bb	Trichomanes endlicherianum
Bb	Cyathea smithii	Bb	Trichomanes venosum
Bb	Dicksonia fibrosa	Nativa	orchide
Bb	Dicksonia squarrosa	Ivative	Corvbas sp.
Bb	Grammitis billardierei	Bb	Earina autumnalis
Bb	Grammitis ciliata	Bb	Earina mucronata
Bb	Histiopteris incisa		Ichthvostomum pvgmaeum
	Hymenophyllum bivalve	Bb	Microtis oligantha
Bb	Hymenophyllum demissum	Bb	Microtis unifolia agg.
Bb	Hymenophyllum dilatatum		Petalochilus sp.
Bb	Hymenophyllum flabellatum		Pterostylis banksii
	Hymenophyllum flexuosum		Pterostylis graminea
Bb	Hymenophyllum nephrophyllum ⁶		Simpliglottis cornuta
	Hymenophylum rarum		Thelvmitra longifolia
	Hymenophyllum revolutum	Bb	Winika cunninghamii
	Hymenophylum sanguinolentum		-
	Hymenophylum scabrum	Native	e sedges
Bb	Hypolepis ambigua	PD	Carex jorsteri
	Hypolepis ambigua ×		Carex solanari
	H. rufobarbata		Cyperus ustutatus

^{6.} This species is listed under the name *Trichomanes reniforme* in the Landcare Research database and *Cardiomanes reniforme* in the New Zealand Plant Conservation Network database. Ebihara *et al.* (2006) argue that the New Zealand kidney fern is more closely related to *Hymenophyllum..*

Bl	b	Gal	inia	раш	cifl	lora
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- Bb Isolepis prolifer
- Bb Luzula banksiana
- Bb Uncinia banksii
- Bb Uncinia scabra
- Bb Uncinia sp.
- Bb Uncinia uncinata

Native grasses

Bb	Anemanthele	lessoniana
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- Bb P Cortaderia fulvida Cortaderia toetoe Dichelachne crinita
- Bb Microlaena avenacea Microlaena stipoides
- Bb Rytidosperma gracile

Native remaining monocots

- Bb Astelia solandri Astelia fragrans Bb Collospermum hastatum Bb Dianella nigra
- Bb Juncus pallidus
- Bb Juncus planifolius
- Bb Libertia grandiflora
- Bb Luzula picta var. picta
- Bb P Phormium cookianum
- Bb *Phormium tenax*

Native composite herbs

Bb	Euchiton sphaericum
	Helichrysum filicaule
Bb	Pseudognaphalium luteo-album
Bb	Senecio minimus

Native dicot herbs (other than composite herbs)

 Bb
 Acaena anserinifolia

 Bb
 Arthropodium cirratum

 Bb
 Australina pusilla

 Bb
 Cardamine debilis

 Centella uniflora
 Dichondra repens

 Bp
 P
 Elatostema rugosum⁷

 Bb
 Epilobium nummularifolium

 Epilobium pubens
 Enterna pubens

Bb	Epilobium rotundifolium
Bb	Haloragis erecta
	Hydrocotyle americana
	Hydrocotyle dissecta
	Hydrocotyle elongata
	Hydrocotyle heteromeria
	Hydrocotyle moschata
Bb	Hydrocotyle novae-zelandiae
Bb	Ranunculus reflexus
Bb	Stellaria parviflora
Bb	Urtica ferox
Bb	Urtica incisa
	Wahlenbergia ramosa
Bb	Wahlenbergia violacea
Adver	ntive ovmnosperm trees and shrubs
Auven	Cupressus macrocarba
Bb	Pinus radiata
Adver	Acacia longifolia
	Acacia melanoxylon
Bb	Acer nseudonlatanus
20	Alnus olutinosa
Bb	Berberis darwinii
Bb	Buddleia davidii
	Buddleia salvifolia
Bb	Chamaecytisus palmensis
	Cotoneaster glaucophyllus
	Crataegus monogyna
Bb	Cyphomandra betacea
Bb	Cytisus scoparius
	Dendrobenthamia capitata
	Eleagnus ×reflexa
Bb	Escallonia rubra
	Euonymus japonicus
	Fatsia japonica
Bb	Hypericum androsaemum
	Ilex aquifolium
	Ligustrum lucidum
Bb	Ligustrum vulgare
	Myoporum aff. insulare
	Prunus avium
Bb	Prunus campanulata

^{7.} This has been recorded here as planted. In the Wellington City Council *Guide to native plants* 1987 it is recorded as growing in Otari Bush. It seems unlikely that it would be growing naturally in Otari although H.H. Allan (1961, p. 406) has it growing locally in the southern part of the Tararua Ranges.

Prunus laurocerasus

Prunus serrulata

Bb

Ouercus ilex

Quercus robur

- Rhododendron ponticum
- Salix fragilis
- Sambucus nigra
- Bb Teline monspessulana
- Bb Teline stenopetala
- Bb *Ulex europaeus*
- Bb *Ulmus* sp.

Adventive dicot lianes

- Bb Acetosa sagittata
- Bb Aphanopetalum resinosum
- Bb Calystegia silvatica
- Bb Clematis vitalba
- Bb Convolvulus arvensis Dioscorea communis
- Bb Hedera helix subsp. helix Jasminum polyanthum Lathyrus latifolius
- Bb Lonicera japonica
- Bb Rubus fruticosus agg. Senecio mikanioides Solanum jasminoides

Adventive lycophytes

Bb Selaginella kraussiana

Adventive ferns

Dryopteris filix-mas

Adventive grasses

Bb Agrostis capillaris Bb Agrostis stolonifera Bb Anthoxanthum odoratum Bb Arrhenatherum elatius Bb Bambusa multiplex Bb Briza maxima Briza minor Bb Bromus hordeaceus Bb Bromus willdenowii Cortaderia selloana Bb Cynodon dactylon Bb Cynosurus cristatus Bb Dactylis glomerata Bb Ehrharta erecta Festuca rubra Bb Bb Holcus lanatus

BD	Louum perenne
	Phyllostachys sp.
Bb	Poa annua
	Poa pratensis
	Pseudosasa japonica
Bb	Schedonorus arundinaceus
	Stenotaphrum secundatum
Adven	tive sedges
nuven	Cyperus albostriatus
Bb	<i>Cyperus eragrostis</i>
Bb	Juncus articulatus
Bb	Juncus bufonius
Bb	Juncus effusus
Adven	tive monocot herbs (other than
orchid	s, grasses, sedges and rushes)
	Agapanthus praecox
Bb	Allium triquetrum
Bb	Crocosmia ×crocosmiiflora
Bb	Iris foetidissima
	Iris germanica
	Lilium tigrinum
Bb	Sisyrinchium iridifolium
Bb	Sisyrinchium sp. (yellow)
Bb	Tradescantia fluminensis
	Zantedeschia aethiopica
Adven	utive composite herbs
Bb	Bellis perennis
Bb	Carduus pycnocephalus
Bb	Chrysanthemoides monilifera
Bb	Cirsium vulgare
Bb	Conyza bilbaoana
Bb	Conyza sumatrensis
Bb	Cotula australis
Bb	Crepis capillaris
Bb	Erigeron karvinskianus
Bb	Gnaphalium sp.
Bb	Hypochoeris radicata
Bb	Lapsana communis
Bb	Leontodon taraxacoides
Bb	Leucanthemum vulgare
Bb	Matricaria dioscoidea
Bb	Picris echioides
	Senecio bipinnatisectus
Bb	Senecio glastifolius
Bb	Senecio jacobaea
Bb	Senecio vulgaris

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Bb	Sonchus oleraceus	Bb	Nasturtium officinale
Bb	Taraxacum officinale		Oxalis vallicola
Adven	tive dicat herbs (ather than	Bb	Persicaria hydropiper
compo	osite herbs)	Bb	Persicaria maculosa
Bb	Achillea millefolium	Bb	Plantago lanceolata
Bb	Anagallis arvensis	Bb	Plantago major
Bb	Angelica pachycarpa	Bb	Polycarpon tetraphyllum
Bb	Brassica fruticulosa	Bb	Polygonum aviculare
Bb	Brassica rapa	Bb	Prunella vulgaris
Bb	Calceolaria tripartita	Bb	Ranunculus repens
Bb	Callitriche stagnalis	Bb	Raphanus raphanistrum subsp.
Bb	Capsella bursa-pastoris		raphanistrum
Bb	Cardamine flexuosa	Bb	Rumex acetosella
Bb	Cedronella canariensis	Bb	Rumex obtusifolius
Bb	Centaurium erythraea		Rumex sagittatus
Bb	Centranthus ruber	Bb	Sagina procumbens
Bb	Cerastium glomeratum	Bb	Silene gallica
Bb	Cerastium sp.	Bb	Silene pendula
Bb	Chenopodium album	Bb	Sisymbrium officinale
Bb	Conium maculatum	Bb	Solanum chenopodioides
Bb	Coronopus didymus	Bb	Solanum lycopersicum
Bb	Cymbalaria muralis	Bb	Solanum nigrum
Bb	Digitalis purpurea	Bb	Solanum tuberosum
Bb	Epilobium ciliatum	Bb	Soliva sessilis
Bb	<i>Epilobium</i> sp.	Bb	Spergula arvensis
Bb	Erodium moschatum	Bb	Stachys arvensis
Bb	Euphorbia peplus	Bb	Stachys sylvatica
Bb	Foeniculum vulgare	Bb	Stellaria media
Bb	Fumaria muralis	Bb	Trifolium dubium
Bb	Galinsoga parviflora	Bb	Trifolium pratense
Bb	Galium aparine	Bb	Trifolium repens
	Geranium molle	Bb	Tropaeolum majus
Bb	Geranium robertianum	Bb	Veronica arvensis
Bb	Impatiens glandulifera	Bb	Veronica javanica
Bb	Lamium purpureum	Bb	Veronica persica
Bb	Linaria purpurea	Bb	Vicia sativa
Bb	Lotus angustissimus	Bb	Vicia tetrasperma
Bb	Lotus pedunculatus	Bb	Vinca major
Bb	Lotus suaveolens	Bb	Wahlenbergia sp.
Bb	Lythrum hyssopifolia	Mosses	
Bb	Mimulus guttatus	Bb	Achrophyllum dentatum
Bb	Mycelis muralis		Brachythecium salebrosum
Bb	Myosotis laxa		Bryoerythrophyllum binnsii ⁸
Bb	Nasturtium microphyllum	Bb	Bryum billardierei
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	Bryum blandum subsp. blandum	Bb	Fissidens leptocladus
	Bryum dichotomum	Bb	Fissidens linearis var. angustifolius
	Bryum sauteri	Bb	Fissidens rigidulus
Bb	Calomnion complanatum		Funaria hygrometrica
Bb	Calyptopogon mnioides		Grimmia trichophylla ⁸
Bb	Calyptrochaeta brownii		Holomitrium perichaetiale
Bb	Calyptrochaeta cristata	Bb	Hymenodon pilifer
Bb	Camptochaete angustata	Bb	Hypnodendron arcuatum
Bb	Camptochaete arbuscula var.	Bb	Hypnum chrysogaster
	arbuscula		Hypnum cupressiforme var.
Bb	Camptochaete deflexa		cupressiforme
Bb	Camptochaete pulvinata		<i>Hypnum cupressiforme</i> var.
	Campylopus clavatus	DI	fuijorme
	Campylopus introflexus	Bb	Hypopterygium didictyon
	Campylopus pyriformis var.	Bb	Hypopterygium tamarisci
51	pyriformis	Bb	Leptodon smithii
BP	Canalohypopterygium	BD	Leptostomum inclinans
DL	Catagonium vitore when vitore	51	Leptostomum macrocarpum
DD	Cathernousing ailistered	Bb	Leucobryum candidum
	Catharomnion culatum	Bb	Lopidium concinnum
	Cleratodon purpureus	Bb	Macrocoma tenue subsp. tenue
DI	Claaomnion ericolaes	Bb	Macromitrium gracile
BD	Cratoneuropsis relaxa	Bb	Macromitrium helmsii
	Crypnaea acuminata	Bb	Macromitrium ligulare
DI	Cryphaea chlorophyllosa		Macromitrium prorepens
BD	Cyathophorum bulbosum	Bb	Macromitrium retusum
BP	Dendrohypopterygium	Bb	Neckera laevigata
PL	Dicholodoutium vitidum	Bb	Neckera pennata
DD DL	Dicheloaontium nitiaum	Bb	Orthorrhynchium elegans
DD	Dictutional menziesii	Bb	Papillaria crocea
PL	Distichophyllum crispulum	Bb	Pendulothecium oblongifolium
BD	Distichophyllum microcurpum	Bb	Pendulothecium punctatum
	ellinticifolium	Bb	Philonotis tenuis
Bb	Distichonhvllum rotundifolium	Bb	Plagiomnium novae-zealandiae
	Ditrichum cylindricarnum		Platyhypnidium austrinum
Bb	Ditrichum difficile	Bb	Pogonatum subulatum
Bb	Ditrichum nunctulatum	Bb	Pohlia wahlenbergia
Bb	Echinodium hispidum		Polytrichadelphus magellanicus
Bb	Echinodium umbrosum	Bb	Pseudotaxiphyllum falcifolium
Bb	Eurhynchium praelongum	Bb	Ptychomnion aciculare
Bb	Fallaciella oracilis	Bb	Pyrrhobryum bifarium
Bb	Fissidens asnlenioides		Racomitrium crispulum ⁸
Bb	Fissidens blechnoides	Bb	Racopilum strumiferum
Bb	Fissidens curvatus var curvatus	Bb	Rhaphidorrhynchium amoenum
20	Fissidens curvatus var inclinabilis	Bb	Rhynchostegium laxatum
Bb	Fissidens dealhatus	Bb	Rhynchostegium muriculatum
00	1 155111115 111111111111111111111111111	Bb	Rhynchostegium tenuifolium

	Syntrichia princeps	Bb	Frullania fugax
Bb	Tetraphidopsis pusilla	Bb	Frullania monocera
Bb	Thamnobryum pandum	Bb	Frullania patula
Bb	Thuidium furfurosum		Frullania pycnantha
Bb	Thuidium laeviusculum		Frullania rostellata
Bb	Thuidium sparsum var. sparsum	Bb	Frullania solanderiana
Bb	Trachyloma diversinerve		Frullania spinifera
Bb	Trachyloma planifolium		Frullania squarrosula
Bb	Weissia controversa		Frullania subhampeana
	Weissia patula	Bb	Harpalejeunea latitans
	Weymouthia mollis		Heteroscyphus biciliatus
Bb	Zygodon intermedius	Bb	Heteroscyphus coalitis
Horn	vorte		Heteroscyphus colensoi ⁸
Bb	Megaceros flagellaris		Heteroscyphus fissistipus
Bb	Phaeoceros carolinianus		Heteroscyphus normalis ⁸
		Bb	Heteroscyphus triacanthus
Liverv	vorts	Bb	Hymenophyton leptopodum
	Acromatiguna colonico anum	Bb	Lejeunea flava
PL	Acromusilgum colensoanum	Bb	Lejeunea primordialis
DD DL	Aneura allernitoba		Lejeunea tumida ⁸
DD	Aneura lohata suben australia		Lopholejeunea plicatiscypha ⁸
DP	Aneura vinguis	Bb	Lunularia cruciata
BD	Aneura pinguis	Bb	Marchantia berteroana
	Aneura subaquatica	Bb	Marchantia foliacea
	Asterella tenera	Bb	<i>Marchantia polymorpha</i> subsp.
	Balantiopsis diplophylla		ruaeralis
	Bazzania adnexa var. adnexa		Marsupiaium setuiosum
	Bazzania tayloriana	DL	Metalejeunea cuculata
	Cheilolejeunea intertexta ⁸	DD	Metzgeria crassipilus
	Chiloscyphus dallianus ⁸	DD	Metzgeria furcata Monoclog fonotoni
Bb	Chiloscyphus herzogii	DU DL	
Bb	Chiloscyphus muricatus	DD	Pallavicinia innovans
Bb	Chiloscyphus novae-zeelandiae	DU DL	
	var. novae-zeelandiae	DD	Pallavicinia xipholaes
	Chiloscyphus pallidus ⁸	DD	Plagiocnua fasciculata
	Chiloscyphus subporosus ⁸	BD	Plagiocnila balleyana
Bb	Cololejeunea hodgsoniae	ות	Plagiochila deltoidea
Bb	Cyanolophocolea aff. echinella ⁹	BD	Plagiocnila fruticella
	Cyanolophocolea echinella s.s.	BD	Plagiochila intertexta
	Diplasiolejeunea plicatiloba ⁸	Bp	Plagiochila obscura
	Frullania deplanata	DI	Plagiochila pleurata var. pleurata
	Frullania falciloba	Bb	Plagiochila ramosissima
	-	Bb	Plagiochila rutlandii

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^{9.} Similar to *Cyanolophocolea echinella* s.s. but with uncoloured, as opposed to blue, oil bodies.

Bb	Plagiochila stephensoniana	Bb	Siphonolejeunea nudipes
	Podomitrium phyllanthus	Bb	Symphyogyna hymenophyllum
	Porella elegantula	Bb	Symphyogyna undulata
	Psiloclada clandestina	Bb	Telaranea herzogii
	Radula allisonii	Bb	<i>Telaranea lindenbergii</i> var.
Bb	Radula buccinifera		lindenbergii
Bb	Radula marginata		Telaranea remotifolia
	Radula retroflexa ⁸		Telaranea tetradactyla ⁸
Bb	Radula silvosa		Trichocolea hatcheri
Bb	Radula uvifera	Bb	Trichocolea mollissima
	Rectolejeunea ocellata		Trichocolea rigida
	Riccardia bipinnatifida ⁸		Tylimanthus diversifolius
	Riccardia colensoi		Tylimanthus tenellus
Bb	Riccardia crassa	Bb	Zoopsis argentea var. argentea
	Saccogynidium australe ⁸	Bb	Zoopsis leitgebiana

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