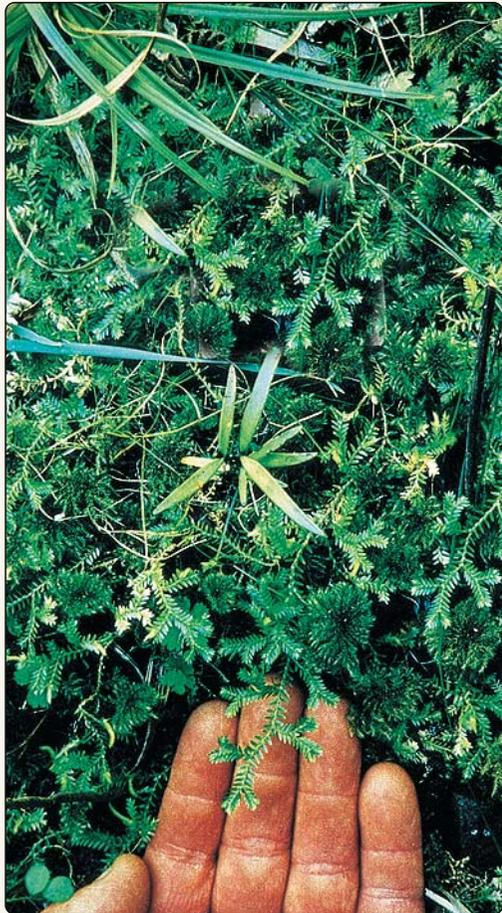


# Selaginella\* (*Selaginella kraussiana*)



*Forms dense carpets on forest floors*

## \* Also known as African club moss

Selaginella is a fern ally that forms dense carpets on the floor of forests or shrub-land and on stream banks.

The plant forms dense mats and is very tolerant of shade. The stems are slender and irregularly branched with tiny, bright green leaves in four rows flattened in one plane. The plant reproduces by spores, produced in small cone-like structures.

Fragments of stem or spores are carried on tramping boots, livestock or machinery.

Take care not to inadvertently move this plant from place to place. Hand weeding to control the species must be rigorous and repeated regularly. Herbicide treatment is available but repeat treatments are required.

**Contact your Regional Council for advice on control methods.**