

## *Lindsaea incisa*

**Family:**

Lindsaeaceae

**Botanical name**

*Lindsaea incisa* Prent.

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<https://id.biodiversity.org.au/name/apni/113136>

**Description**

Rhizome short- to long-creeping, 0.5–1 mm diam.; scales to 1 mm long, yellowish. Fronds monomorphic. Stipes spaced along rhizome, much shorter than lamina, stramineous, darker at base. Lamina 1-pinnate to incompletely 2-pinnate, linear, 25–30 (–40) cm long, 5–15 mm wide. Pinnae distant, especially towards base; lower and middle pinnae pinnatifid to pinnate; upper pinnae gradually reduced and less divided. Pinnules usually 2–4 per pinna, mostly flabellate, sessile to shortly stalked, 2–5 mm long, 2–6 mm wide; outer margin convex, shallowly crenate to deeply incised; veins free, forked 1–3 times. Sori usually on 2–4 vein endings, separated by incisions; indusium 0.5–0.7 mm wide, whitish, extending to or beyond margin. Spores trilete, medium brown, smooth.



Frond. © P. Bostock

**Distribution**

Endemic to E QLD and N NSW with outlying records from Taravale to Mt Fox region in NE QLD.

**Habit and habitat**

Terrestrial in wet soil in wet sclerophyll forest. Not usually a rainforest species.

**Similar species**

The combination of narrow erect bipinnate to tripinnate bright green lamina distinguish this species from other Australian *Lindsaea*.

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