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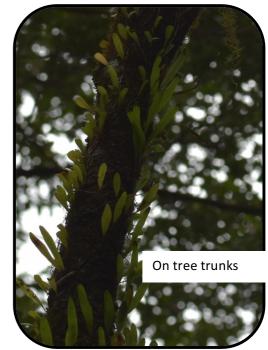
Family: Polypodiaceae

Genus: *Pyrrosia* from the Greek *pyrros* (flame-coloured) in reference to the reddish-yellow colour of the fronds in some overseas species, due to the stellate hairs.

Species: *confluens* from the Latin *confluens* (running together, blending) in reference to the sori.

This epiphytic or lithophytic fern forms dense spreading colonies. Each leaflet is 3-25cm long and is thick, leathery and fleshy. It is mostly found on tree trunks and logs in rainforest and wet sclerophyll forest.









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