

Sub-Guide to "Leafy" Liverworts

Revised through 23 July 2012

Group L1 – Leaves with ciliate lobes or margins

	Group L1
Leaves ciliate to the base , 3-4 lobed & ±transversely inserted.	
Lobes 7-14 cells long & uniseriate to base; underleaves also 7-14 cells long; WS	<i>Blepharostoma</i>
Lobes 5-8 cells long & ±2 cells broad at base; underleaves 2-3 cells long; SE	<i>Telaranea</i>
Leaves ciliate to a lamina 1-4 cells high, 4-7 lobed & succubous ; plants 2-3 pinnate; E	<i>Trichocolea</i>
Leaves with ciliate margins .	
Cilia around entire margin of leaves.	
Shoots 1-2 pinnate; leaves 3-5 lobed with long cilia; WS	<i>Ptilidium</i>
Shoots not pinnate; leaves complicate-bilobed with short cilia; AK	<i>Ascidiota</i>
Cilia restricted to leaf bases.	
Leaves complicate-bilobed ; lobule a tongue-shaped lamina (±parallel to the stem); WS	<i>Porella</i> †
Leaves with 3-4 shallow, ±cuspidate lobes; ±ciliate underleaves; WS	<i>Barbilophozia</i>
Leaves bilobed & lacking cuspidate apices; underleaves lacking ; SA	<i>Acrobolbus</i>

Group L2 – Leaves 3-4 lobed and/or distinctly toothed

	Group L2
Leaves with 3-4 lobes of ±uniform size & shape.	
Leaf sinuses extending deep into basal half of leaf.	
Leaves deeply bilobed with lobes deeply incised in turn; AK & NT	<i>Pseudolepicolea</i>
Leaves 3-4 lobed to near base; lobes 2-3 cells wide; branching pinnate ; WS	<i>Kurzia</i>
Leaf sinuses restricted to apical half of leaf.	
Leaves incubous .	
Branching dichotomous ; underleaves small ; ventral flagella common; WS	<i>Bazzania</i>
Branching pinnate ; lobes strongly incurved ; underleaves similar to leaves; WS	<i>Lepidozia</i>
Leaves succubous .	
Leaves with bases & underleaves ±ciliate ; lobes (4x) ±cuspidate ; WS	<i>Barbilophozia</i>
Leaves & underleaves lacking cilia; lobes (3-4x) not cuspidate; WS	<i>Lophozia</i> †
Leaves with 3 lobes unequal in size (two smaller); underleaves lacking ; WS	<i>Tritomaria</i>
Leaves with few to many ±sharp marginal teeth that may vary in size & shape.	
Leaves complicate-bilobed .	
Lobes elongate , parallel -sided & directed in strongly different directions from lobules; perianths ±terete , sharply plicate & contracted to mouth; WS	<i>Diplophyllum</i> †
Lobes rotund to ligulate & directed in same direction as lobules; perianths strongly flattened , smooth & with a truncate mouth; WS	<i>Scapania</i> †
Leaves not complicate bilobed.	
Leaves with teeth deeply incised lobes ; underleaves present.	
Shoots with ±profuse , pinnate branching; trigones large & ±confluent ; BC	<i>Mastigophora</i>
Shoots ±unbranched ; trigones ±indistinct ; BC & NE	<i>Chandonanthus</i>
Leaves lacking deeply incised lobes & underleaves; leaves " pleated " (a dorsal fold); WS	<i>Plagiochila</i> †

Group L3 – Leaves complicate-bilobed; "incubous"; underleaves large

Group L3

- Underleaves **double** the normal **number** (equal to number of leaves); FL *Diplaisiolejeunea*
- Underleaves with **ciliate** margins; AK *Ascidiota*
- Underleaves distinctly **bilobed** (sinus >1/4 of underleaf length).
 Lobule a **helmet**-like sac (**±parallel** to the stem) on a **stalk**.
 perianths **trigonus & flattened**.
 Lobes **±apiculate**; stylus **lacking**; plants on **wet** rocks; a deep, **greasy** green; E *Jubula*
 Lobes **±rounded**; stylus present; on **trees & dry** rocks; commonly **reddish**; WS *Frullania*
- Lobule an inflated **pouch** (**±perpendicular** to the stem) along **posterior** edge of lobe;
 stylus **lacking**; perianths **5-angled**.
 Leaves with **marginal rhizoids**.
 Leaves with scattered, laminal **ocelli**; trigones **lacking**; FL *Rectolejeunea*
 Leaves **lacking** ocelli; walls with small **trigones & intermediate thickenings**; FL *Cheilolejeunea*
- Leaves distinctly **acute** to **acuminate** to **apiculate**;
 Leaves distinctly **falcate**; underleaf lobes **spreading** (divaricate).
 Underleaf lobes **2-3** cells wide at base; ocelli **basal**; SE *Harpalejeunea*
 Underleaf lobes **uniseriate**; ocelli **medial**; SE *Drepanolejeunea*
- Leaves **not** falcate, but with **crenulate** margins; underleaf lobes **not** divaricate.
 Underleaves **3-4x** the stem width; perianths **bluntly** keeled & **beak-less**; Fl *Taxilejeunea*
 Underleaves **1.5-2x** the stem width; perianths **sharply** keeled with a **beak**; FL *Crossotolejeunea*
- Leaves with **±uniformly rounded** apices.
 Leaves with distinctive **ocelli**.
 Leaves **elliptical & odiferous**; underleaf lobes **uniseriate & divaricate**; FL *Leptolejeunea*
 Leaves with **brownish** cell walls & middle lamellae, and **±serrate** apices; GC *Ceratolejeunea*
 Leaves **caducous** & with marginal **rhizoids**; ocelli **numerous**; FL *Rectolejeunea*
 Leaves **lacking** any of the above unique characters; ocelli **few** (1-3); E *Lejeunea*
- Leaves **lacking** ocelli.
 Leaves strongly **convex & deflexed** apically; underleaves **3.5-4.5x** stem width & **±imbricate**; trigones **small**; oil bodies **numerous & small**; AK, NT *Hygrolejeunea*
 Leaves distinctly **crenulate**; underleaves **1.5-2x** stem width, **distant & crenulate**; trigones **±bulging**; oil bodies **few & large**; SE *Crossotolejeunea*
 Leaves **±olive/gray-green & opaque**; underleaves **3-5x** stem width; trigones **±bulging**; oil bodies **few & botryoidal**; lobular papillae **distal**; CP & SA *Cheilolejeunea*
 Leaves **lacking** the above unique characteristics; lobular papillae **proximal**.
 Marginal cells **±17-19μ**; cell walls **±thin** & trigonous; lobular teeth **±one**-celled; oil bodies **± numerous & small**; perianths **not** compressed; E *Lejeunea*
 Marginal cells **±13-17μ**; cell walls **±evenly thick**; lobular teeth mostly **>one**-celled; oil bodies **±few & large**; perianths **compressed**; CP & SA *Rectolejeunea*
- Leaves commonly **broken** off (**caducous**) on normal or specialized stems.

Continued below

Continued from Group L3 above

Leaves commonly broken off (caducous) on normal or specialized stems.	
Leaves ±olive -green; lobules usually inflated ; trigones usually large ; lobular papillae distal ; oil bodies few (1-4) & large ; CP & SA	<i>Cheilolejeunea</i>
Leaves ±yellow -green; lobules commonly vestigial ; trigones lacking ; lobular papillae proximal ; oil bodies many (4-8) & small ; CP & SA	<i>Rectolejeunea</i>
Lobules not inflated (explanate) or reduced to a small/minute basal fold (vestigial).	
Lobules explanate & ±parallel to the stem; on trees & rocks; commonly reddish ; WS	<i>Frullania</i>
Lobules vestigial , but tooth elaborated as a slender appendage ±parallel to the stem; FL	<i>Rectolejeunea</i>
Lobules vestigial , but tooth not elaborated as above.	
Leaves obtusely angular to apiculate & shiny (dry); underleaves 3-4x the stem width & ±chordate ; perianths bluntly keeled & beak-less ; FL	<i>Taxilejeunea</i>
Leaves with ±uniformly rounded apices; underleaves 1-3.5x the stem width & not chordate; perianths sharply keeled with a beak .	
Marginal cells ±17-19μ ; cell walls ±thin & trigonous ; lobular teeth ±one -celled; oil bodies ±numerous & small ; perianths not compressed; E	<i>Lejeunea</i>
Marginal cells ±13-17μ ; cells ±opaque with ±evenly thick walls; lobular teeth mostly >one -celled; oil bodies ±few & large ; perianths compressed ; leaves often caducous ; CP & SA	<i>Rectolejeunea</i>
Underleaves ±unlobed (sinus <1/4 of underleaf length).	
Lobule a tongue-shaped lamina (±parallel to the stem); WS	<i>Porella</i>
Lobule an inflated pouch (±perpendicular to the stem) along posterior edge of lobe.	
Leaves mostly purplish to brownish black from well-developed secondary pigments.	
Leaves squarrose (wet) & convolute (dry); underleaves ±orbicular & ±retuse .	
Secondary stems ±arching ; lobules lacking long marginal teeth; trigones bulging ; 2-3 large botryoidal oil bodies/cell; GC	<i>Mastigolejeunea</i>
Secondary stems not ±arching ; lobules with 3-10 long , marginal teeth; trigones bulging ; oil bodies numerous & minute; FL	<i>Brachiolejeunea</i>
Leaves distinctly falcate ; underleaves ±orbicular ; lobules with a long, sharp apical tooth; trigones distinct ; 2-4 large oil bodies/cell; CP	<i>Neurolejeunea</i>
Leaves neither squarrose, convolute nor distinctly falcate; underleaves ±reniform ; lobules with a minute apical tooth; oil bodies numerous & small; CP	<i>Lopholejeunea</i>
Leaves mostly yellow brown , ±squarrose (wet) & caducous ; underleaves ±orbicular ; lobules with 3-8 marginal teeth ; trigones bulging ; oil bodies numerous & small; FL	<i>Acrolejeunea</i>
Leaves mostly green ; 2° stems ±arching ; underleaves ±retuse ; lobules with 2-3(6) marginal teeth ; trigones bulging ; oil bodies numerous & minute; FL	<i>Caudalejeunea</i>
Leaves whitish green; underleaves reniform ; apical lobular tooth minute to very long; trigones small to bulging; one large botryoidal oil body/cell; E	<i>Leucolejeunea</i>

Group L4 – Complicate-bilobed; "incubous"; underleaves lacking

Group L4

Lobules >1/3 the size of the lobes, **inflated** & **enclosed** by the **denticulate** lobes; orangish-red; NW *Pleurozia*

Lobules <1/3 the size of the lobes; lobes **neither** enclosing **nor** denticulate.

Plants >1 mm wide; cells **smooth**; rhizoids on **lobules**; perianths **flat** & **truncate**; WS *Radula*

Plants <1 mm wide; cells often **papillose**; rhizoids on **stem**; perianths **5-angled**; WS *Cololejeunea*

Group L5 – Complicate-bilobed; "succubous"

Group L5

Lobes & lobules sharply **tapered** to a **pointed** apex; margins **irregular**; cuticle **waxy** (dull); perianth **plicate** with a **contracted**, **whitish** & **ciliate** mouth; NW, WC *Douinia*

Lobes **elongate**, **parallel**-sided & directed in strongly **different** directions from lobules; perianths **±terete**, sharply **plicate** & **contracted** to mouth; WS *Diplophyllum*

Lobes **rotund** to ligulate & directed in **same** direction as lobules; perianths strongly **flattened**, **smooth** & with a **truncate** mouth; WS *Scapania*

Group L6 – Leaves bilobed & succubous; underleaves clearly evident

Group L6

Underleaves **bifid** & **ciliate**; plants **purplish**; leaves **±emarginate**; **perigynium** present; AC *Mesoptychia*†

Underleaves distinctly **bifid**.

Plants **±yellow-green** & **large** (>1 mm); leaf lobes **±equal** in size.

Underleaves with **lateral teeth**; rhizoids **restricted**; **perianth** present; WS *Lophocolea*

Underleaves **lacking** lateral teeth; rhizoids **scattered**; **marsupium** present; WS *Geocalyx*

Plants **±reddish** & **small** (<0.7 mm); leaf lobes **unequal** in size & **rounded** ("mittens"); NE *Cladopodiella*†

Underleaves **±lanceolate**; trigones **±bulging**.

Leaves distinctly **bilobed** & **±joined** to underleaves; WS *Harpanthus*

Leaves **±emarginate** & **free** from underleaves; WS *Nardia*†

Underleaves **flap-like** & irregularly **lobed**; leaf bases **±multistratose**; oil bodies **lacking**; A/A(NW) *Schofieldia*

**Group L7 – Leaves bilobed; succubous;
underleaves obscured by rhizoids, minute or lacking**

	Group L7
Shoots wide (1.5-2mm); leaves with marginal rhizoids ; trigones large to bulging; SA	<i>Acrobolbus</i>
Shoots intermediate in width (0.5-1.5 mm); trigones various.	
Underleaves obscured by abundant, scattered rhizoids; marsupium present; WS	<i>Geocalyx</i>
Underleaves minute or lacking ; perianth present.	
Trigones large to bulging .	
Leaf insertion oblique throughout ; leaves rarely canaliculate (grooved); WS	<i>Lophozia</i>
Leaf insertion transverse above ; leaves commonly canaliculate ; WS	<i>Anastrophyllum</i>
Trigones lacking .	
Underleaves minute ; leaf lobes unequal in size & rounded (“mittens”); WS	<i>Cladopodiella</i> †
Underleaves lacking ; leaf lobes ±equal in size.	
Leaves purplish-black with rounded lobes; hyalodermis lacking ; WS	<i>Gymnocolea</i>
Leaves with connivent lobes; hyalodermis present; oil bodies lacking ; WS	<i>Cephalozia</i>
Shoots narrow (600-800μ); trigones lacking .	
Underleaves minute ; perianths cylindrical & deeply plicate; on various trees; SE	<i>Cylindrocolea</i>
Underleaves lacking ; perianths campanulate & shallowly plicate; on cabbage palm; FL	<i>Chonecolea</i>

Group L8 – Leaves bilobed with transverse insertion*

	Group L8
Plants small to moderate in size (shoots >0.5 mm wide).	
Leaves strongly concave & ±imbricate ; shoots ±julaceous .	
Underleaves similar to leaves in size & shape (±isophyllous); clear green ; A/A	<i>Pleurocladula</i>
Underleaves vestigial to lacking ; whitish in color; A/A, WC, TN	<i>Gymnomitrium</i>
Leaves like " billowing sails " (strongly inflated base with a water sac & ciliate lobes); E	<i>Nowellia</i>
Leaves with a midrib (vitta) of elongated cells; underleaves large (isophyllous); A/A; W, AP	<i>Herbertus</i>
Leaves lacking any of the above unique characters.	
Underleaves similar to leaves in size & shape (±isophyllous); cells elongate ; A/A, WC	<i>Hygrobrella</i>
Underleaves vestigial to lacking ; leaf cells trigonous ; WS	<i>Marsupella</i>
Plants minute (shoots <0.5 mm wide).	
Leaves glaucous from secreted filaments; isophyllous (underleaves like leaves); A/A	<i>Anthelia</i>
Leaves with a ±striate cuticle; cells with thick brownish walls & an occasional oil body; NW	<i>Eremonotus</i>
Leaves lacking any of the above unique characters.	
Branching predominantly terminal & furcate (forking); NW, SA	<i>Sphenolobopsis</i>
Branching predominantly intercalary ; WS	<i>Cephalozia</i>

*Lower leaves may show trend towards succubous insertion, except for *Herbertus*, which may show trend towards incubous insertion.

Group L9 – Leaves unlobed & incubous

Group L9

Leaves **opaque**, \pm **yellow-green**, \pm **pointed** & occasionally bidentate; cells strongly **trigonus**;
oil bodies **granular**; AK, NF. *Metacalypogeia*

Leaves **translucent**, \pm gray to **blue-green** & **rounded** apically; cells **not** trigonus;
oil bodies **botryoidal**; WS *Calypogeia*

Group L10 – Leaves unlobed & succubous; underleaves clearly evident

Group L10

Underleaves **ciliate**, **purplish** & bilobed; leaves **shallowly** bilobed; **marsupium** present; AC *Mesoptychia*[†]

Underleaves **bilobed**.

Purplish pads on underside of stems; sporangia open along **helical** lines; NW, WC *Gyrothyra*
Purplish pads **lacking**; sporangia open along **longitudinal** lines; WS *Chiloscyphus*

Underleaves **lanceolate**.

Leaves **opposite** & **fused** at the base; underleaves **small**; **marsupium** present; A/A *Arnellia*

Leaves **cuneate** (wedge-shaped) & \pm **deciduous**; plants **minute**; bark of **fir** trees; SA *Leptoscyphus*

Leaves \pm **orbicular**; trigones **bulging**.

Rhizoids densely **matted**; perianths **laterally** compressed; **gemmae** often present; WS *Mylia*

Rhizoids **scattered**; perianths on a **fleshy** perigynium & **plicate**; gemmae **lacking** WS *Nardia*[†]

**Group L11 – Leaves unlobed and succubous;
underleaves obscured by rhizoids, minute or lacking**

Group L11

Leaves "**pleated**" (dorsal fold) & decurrent to **midline**; perianths **laterally** compressed; WS *Plagiochila*[†]

Leaves with dorsal margin strongly **revolute** & \pm **notched**; AK, BC *Anastrepta*

Leaves **neither** "pleated" **nor** strongly revolute.

Leaves \pm **longer** than broad; rhizoids **numerous**; \pm **distinct** trigones; oil bodies *Jungermannia*
numerous (7-11/cell) & **moderate** in size; perianth **smooth** with a **sunken** beak.

Leaves \pm **orbicular**; perianth **not** as above.

Trigones moderate to **large** & \pm **bulging**.

Ventral **flagella** abundant; oil bodies **few** (2-4) & **large**; perianth *Odontoschisma*
 \pm **plicate** above with a \pm **denticulate** mouth; WS

Ventral flagella **lacking**; oil bodies **numerous** (7-15) & **small**; perianth *Jamesoniella*
plicate above with a distinctly **ciliate** mouth; WS

Trigones \pm **small**, but distinct; oil bodies mostly **4-8** per cell & **large**.

Leaves strongly **concave**; "perianth" a **compressed, rounded, bilabiate** *Cryptocolea*
structure formed from **mussel-like** perichaetial bracts; A/A, MI, MN

Leaves \pm **flat** to weakly convex; perianth a **compressed, truncate, &** *Pedinophyllum*
bilabiate sheath; CT, MA, OH

Group L12 – Leaves unlobed/emarginate with transverse insertion

Group L12

Shoots **creeping**; leaves **whitish**; **concave & imbricate**; underleaves **minute**; GL

Prasanthus
