

Carex maculata

FAMILY

Cyperaceae

AUTHORITY

Boott

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Sedges

NVS CODE

CARmac

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

DISTRIBUTION

North Island: Auckland, Kaukapakapa (Stoney Creek Forest, Dye Access Road).

Native to Eastern Australia, Papua New Guinea, and New Caledonia.

HABITAT

Known from wet places in rainforest overseas.

In New Zealand it is known from three sites, it inhabits the edge of a shaded creek at one site and at the other two sites this sedge is found under mature pines (*Pinus radiata*).

SIMILAR TAXA

Easily recognised by the green spiklets.

ETYMOLOGY

carex: Latin name for a species of sedge, now applied to the whole group.

maculata: From Latin 'macula' blotch, meaning blotchy

ATTRIBUTION

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REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

Wilcox M. 2005. *Carex maculata* – a new introduced sedge in New Zealand. *Auckland Botanical Society Journal* 60(1): 45–45.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/carex-maculata/>



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