# Cistus salviifolius

## **COMMON NAME**

sage-leaved rock-rose

#### **FAMILY**

Cistaceae

## **AUTHORITY**

Cistus salviifolius L.

# **FLORA CATEGORY**

Vascular - Exotic

#### STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

## **CONSERVATION STATUS**

Not applicable

## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

Low, sprawling shrub; not viscid-sticky; leaves rugose with dense stellate hairs; flowers with 5 sepals, petals 20-24 mm long, white with yellow bases.

# **HABITAT**

Dry, well-drained sites

# **FLOWER COLOURS**

White, Yellow

## **ORIGIN**

Southern Europe, west ASia, North Africa

# **REASON FOR INTRODUCTION**

Ornamental

# **ETYMOLOGY**

cistus: Greek name for the plant

# NZPCN FACT SHEET CITATION

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# **MORE INFORMATION**

https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/cistus-salviifolius/





In dry gravelly waste area, upper Victoria Avenue, Whanganui. Seedlings and flowering shrubs. Photographer: Colin C. Ogle, Date taken: 10/10/2023, Licence: Public domain.



Waste area in gravel; dry, well-drained. Low shrub to 0.5 m tall. Upper Victoria Ave, Whanganui. Photographer: Colin C. Ogle, Date taken: 10/10/2023, Licence: Public domain.