

Amaranthus hybridus var. erythrosthachys

COMMON NAMES

slim amaranth

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS

Green, Red/Pink

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Annual to 1m tall. Lamina up to 15 x 7.5 cm. Inflorescence a much-branched panicle, either crimson or green (Webb et al 1988). Seeds shiny, black, lens-shaped, about 1mm diameter (Wax et al 1981).

SIMILAR TAXA

Var. erythrosthachys has a crimson inflorescence and is cultivated as an ornamental. Var. hybridus has a smaller green inflorescence and is often confused with the other weedy amaranths (Webb et al 1988).

GENUS

Amaranthus

FAMILY

Amaranthaceae

AUTHORITY

Amaranthus hybridus var. erythrosthachys Moq.

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

YEAR NATURALISED

1983

ORIGIN

Var. hybridus - possibly the New World. Var. erythrosthachys - probably in cultivation.

ETYMOLOGY

amaranthus: From the Greek a- 'without' or 'lacking' and maraino 'to fade', meaning unfading and referring to the durability of the flowers of some species

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/amaranthus-hybridus-var-erythrosthachys/>

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