# **Ampelodesmos mauritanicus**

## **COMMON NAME**

Mauritanian grass, stramma

#### **FAMILY**

Poaceae

#### **AUTHORITY**

Ampelodesmos mauritanicus (Poir.) T. Durand & Schinz

## **FLORA CATEGORY**

Vascular - Exotic

#### STRUCTURAL CLASS

Grasses

## **CONSERVATION STATUS**

Not applicable

## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

Robust tussock to 1 m tall with drooping leaves; erect culms to 2 m or more, with drooping panicle branchlets.

#### **DISTRIBUTION**

Rare; establishing near planted specimens in NZ.

## **FLOWER COLOURS**

Green, White

## **PROPAGATION TECHNIQUE**

Division or from seed

## YEAR NATURALISED

2003

## ORIGIN

Mediterranean

### **REASON FOR INTRODUCTION**

Ornamental

## **MORE INFORMATION**

https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/ampelodesmos-mauritanicus/





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