

Asplenium xlucrosum

COMMON NAME

Hen & chicken fern

FAMILY

Aspleniaceae

AUTHORITY

Asplenium xlucrosum Perrie et Brownsey

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Ferns

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not assessed

FLOWER COLOURS

No flowers

ORIGIN

A sterile hybrid *A. bulbiferum* x *A. dimorphum* which is commonly cultivated throughout the world as *A. bulbiferum*.

ETYMOLOGY

asplenium: From the Greek a- 'without' and splene 'spleen', a northern hemisphere species, the black spleenwort (*Asplenium adiantum-nigrum*), was once believed to be a cure for diseases of the spleen.

Reason For Introduction

Horticultural

Reproduction

Asexual spread from bulbils on fronds. A sterile hybrid.

Dispersal

By water and accidental and deliberate plantings of whole plants and/or fronds bearing bulbils

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/asplenium-xlucrosum/>



Asplenium xlucrosum wild plant, The Tree Way, Mt Albert, Auckland. Photographer: Peter de Lange



Young plant. Auckland. Feb 2007.
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