

# Calendula officinalis

## COMMON NAME

Marigold

## FAMILY

Asteraceae

## AUTHORITY

*Calendula officinalis* L.

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledonous composites

## NVS CODE

CALOFF

## FLOWER COLOURS

Orange, Yellow

## YEAR NATURALISED

1883

## ORIGIN

Unknown origin

## ETYMOLOGY

**calendula:** From the Latin word kalendae, first day of the month when interest was paid; refers to the plant's long flowering season.

**officinalis:** From the Latin officina shortened from opificina which originally meant 'workshop' but later came to mean a monastic storeroom, herb-room or pharmacy. Refers to the plant's real or perceived medicinal value.

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/calendula-officinalis/>



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