## **Camellia taliensis**

COMMON NAME fried egg plant

SYNONYMS Polyspora yunnanensis Hu ; Gordonia yunnanensis

FAMILY Theacaceae

AUTHORITY Camellia taliensis (W.W.Sm.) Melch.

FLORA CATEGORY Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

## **CONSERVATION STATUS** Not applicable

FLOWER COLOURS Cream, White

## LIFE CYCLE

Woody shrub. Seed is produced; seedlings found close to flowering shrubs

YEAR NATURALISED 2010

**ORIGIN** Yunnan Province, China

**REASON FOR INTRODUCTION** Ornamental

## **ETYMOLOGY**

**camellia**: Named by Linnaeus after Georg Josef Kamel (21 April 1661 – 2 May 1706), 17th century Moravian Jesuit missionary and botanist who worked in the Philppines.

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MORE INFORMATION https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/camellia-taliensis/





Self-established seedling near planted fruiting shrub, Bason Botanic Gardens, Whanganui. Photographer: Colin C. Ogle, Date taken: 04/07/2012, Licence: CC BY-NC.



Leaf of planted fruiting shrub, Bason Botanic Reserve, Whanganui. Photographer: Colin C. Ogle, Date taken: 04/07/2012, Licence: CC BY-NC.