

Epilobium ciliatum

COMMON NAMES

willowherb

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS

Violet/Purple, White

GENUS

Epilobium

FAMILY

Onagraceae

AUTHORITY

Epilobium ciliatum Raf.

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

YEAR NATURALISED

1976

ORIGIN

N. America

WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FAC: Facultative

Commonly occurs as either a hydrophyte or non-hydrophyte (non-wetlands).

ETYMOLOGY

epilobium: From the Greek epi- 'upon' and lobos 'a pod', the flowers appearing to be growing on the seed pod.

NVS CODE

EPICIL

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/epilobium-ciliatum/>

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