

# Fagopyrum esculentum

## COMMON NAMES

buckwheat

## BIOSTATUS

Exotic

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## CATEGORY

Vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## FLOWER COLOURS

White

## GENUS

Fagopyrum

## FAMILY

Polygonaceae

## AUTHORITY

Fagopyrum esculentum Moench

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## YEAR NATURALISED

1870

## ORIGIN

Probably S.E. Asia

## ETYMOLOGY

**esculentum:** Edible; from the Latin *esca* and *edere*; in recognition of its value to the maori as a food plant

## NVS CODE

FAGESC

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/fagopyrum-esculentum/>

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