

Hibbertia scandens

COMMON NAMES

Snake Vine, Guinea Flower

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Lianes & Related Trailing Plants - Dicotyledons

FLOWER COLOURS

Yellow

SIMILAR TAXA

None

HABITAT

A very uncommon urban weed collected twice from the suburb of Mt Albert, Auckland in 2005 and 2006.

GENUS

Hibbertia

FAMILY

Dilleniaceae

AUTHORITY

Hibbertia scandens (Willd.) Dryand.

FLOWERING

October - March

FRUITING

Not produced in New Zealand

YEAR NATURALISED

2005

ORIGIN

Australia

REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Ornamental

TOLERANCES

Frost sensitive.

LIFE CYCLE AND DISPERSAL

Long-lived perennial vine. Does not set seed in New Zealand but can spread vegetatively from root suckers and pieces of vine which root freely on contact with the soil. Spread through the careless disposal of garden waste.

ETYMOLOGY

hibbertia: Named after G Hibbert a patron of Australian botany.

scandens: Climbing; from the Latin scandere; groth habit



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REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

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MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/hibbertia-scandens/>

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