

Hypericum tetrapterum

COMMON NAMES

square-stemmed St John's wort

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS

Yellow

SIMILAR TAXA

Stems conspicuously 4-winged, erect, to 1m tall, with scattered black glands

GENUS

Hypericum

FAMILY

Hypericaceae

AUTHORITY

Hypericum tetrapterum Fr.

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

YEAR NATURALISED

1940

ORIGIN

Europe, W. Asia, N. Africa

WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FACW: Facultative Wetland

Usually is a hydrophyte but occasionally found in uplands (non-wetlands).

ETYMOLOGY

hypericum: From the Greek hyper (above) and eikon (picture), the plant was hung above pictures to ward off evil spirits

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/hypericum-tetrapterum/>

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