Isachne globosa

COMMON NAME
swamp millet

SYNONYMS
Milium globosum Thunb., Isachne australis R.Br., Panicum gonatodes Steud.

FAMILY
Poaceae

AUTHORITY
Isachne globosa (Thunb.) Kuntze

FLORA CATEGORY
Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON
No

ENDEMIC GENUS
No

ENDEMIC FAMILY
No

STRUCTURAL CLASS
Grasses

NVS CODE
ISAGLO

CHROMOSOME NUMBER
2n = 60

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS
2012 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUSES
2009 | Not Threatened
2004 | Not Threatened

DISTRIBUTION
Indigenous. North Island throughout but uncommon at high altitudes and scarce south of the Manawatu River. South Island, West Coast, Mahers Swamp. Widespread throughout South-East Asia, Japan and Australia

SIMILAR TAXA
None.

FLOWER COLOURS
Red/Pink

LIFE CYCLE
Florets are water and wind dispersed (Thorsen et al., 2009).

PROPAGATION TECHNIQUE
Easy from fresh seed and rooted pieces. Does best partially submerged in water, and requires full sun to flower. An excellent plant for a slow flowing stream bank, shallow pond or lake margin.
ETYMOLGY

isachne: From the Greek isos 'equal' and achne 'chaff', referring to the equal florets, glumes, or lemmas

globosa: From the Latin globosus 'globe shaped', i.e. forming a true sphere

WHERE TO BUY

Not commercially available

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING


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