

Lolium temulentum

COMMON NAME

darnel

FAMILY

Poaceae

AUTHORITY

Lolium temulentum L.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Grasses

NVS CODE

LOLTEM

SIMILAR TAXA

Roots fibrous. Stems about 45 to 60 cm tall. Leaf sheaths smooth, overlapping on one another. Leaf blades 3 to 6 mm wide, flat, slightly rough on upper surfaces. Spikes long and narrow with 2 rows of small flattened spikelets placed edgewise to the stem. Outer glume of spikelet as long as or longer than spikelet, sharply pointed. (Wax, Fawcett and Isely 1981)

YEAR NATURALISED

1855

ORIGIN

Mediterranean

Reproduction

Seeds.

Seed

Seed 3 to 6 mm long, narrowly oval, brownish, usually short-bearded at the tip. (Wax, Fawcett and Isely 1981)

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/lolium-temulentum/>

