

# Potentilla argentea

## COMMON NAMES

hoary cinquefoil

## BIOSTATUS

Exotic

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## CATEGORY

Vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## FLOWER COLOURS

Yellow

## SIMILAR TAXA

The only *Potentilla* with leaves that have a silver underside; Leaves alternate. Leaves are palmately compound. Leaflets are distinctly toothed and are silvery on the underside. Flowers are small and yellow.

## GENUS

*Potentilla*

## FAMILY

Rosaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Potentilla argentea* L.

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## YEAR NATURALISED

1935

## ORIGIN

Europe, Asia

## ETYMOLOGY

**potentilla**: Rather powerful (supposed medical effects)

**argentea**: Silvery

## NVS CODE

POTARG

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/potentilla-argentea/>

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