

# Potentilla recta

## COMMON NAMES

tall cinquefoil

## BIOSTATUS

Exotic

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## CATEGORY

Vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## FLOWER COLOURS

Cream, Yellow

## SIMILAR TAXA

It is not easy to distinguish the two cytotypes of *P. recta*; the hexaploid has somewhat smaller and slightly darker-yellowish flowers than the tetraploid. The best way to identify the cytotype is to make a chromosome staining. In North

## GENUS

Potentilla

## FAMILY

Rosaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Potentilla recta* L.

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## ETYMOLOGY

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

## MORE INFORMATION

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

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