

# Ranunculus bulbosus subsp. bulbosus

## COMMON NAMES

bulbous buttercup

## BIOSTATUS

Exotic

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## CATEGORY

Vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## SIMPLIFIED DESCRIPTION

Perennial; leaves arise from swollen rootstock which is obvious only in large plants; flowering stems to more than 50 cm tall, much-branched. Flowers have reflexed sepals, these being the most obvious field character for distinguishing this species from *R. repens*.

## FLOWER COLOURS

Yellow

## SIMILAR TAXA

*Ranunculus repens* often grows in similar sites and has flowers about the same size and colour as *R. bulbosus*. However, *R. repens* has stolons and its flowers have spreading, not reflexed, sepals.

## HABITAT

Gardens, lawns, pasture, boggy wetland edges.

## GENUS

*Ranunculus*

## FAMILY

Ranunculaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Ranunculus bulbosus* L. subsp. *bulbosus*

## ENDEMIC GENUS

No

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## YEAR NATURALISED

1872

## ORIGIN

Europe, Asia, N.Africa

## WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FAC: Facultative

Commonly occurs as either a hydrophyte or non-hydrophyte (non-wetlands).



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## ETYMOLOGY

**ranunculus:** From the Latin 'rana' frog, meaning little frog and probably refers to the plants typical marshy habit where frogs abound

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/ranunculus-bulbosus-subsp-bulbosus/>

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