

Rheum ×rhabarbarum

COMMON NAMES

rhubarb

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS

Green, White

GENUS

Rheum

FAMILY

Polygonaceae

AUTHORITY

Rheum ×rhabarbarum L.

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

YEAR NATURALISED

1983

ORIGIN

N.E. Asia

POISONOUS PLANT

Despite being a common vegetable the leaves are poisonous.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/rheum-rhabarbarum/>

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