

Setaria viridis

COMMON NAMES

green bristle grass

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Grasses

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Stems erect. **Leaves** hairless. **Panicle** dense, 2.5–7.5 cm long, erect, except near tip, which bends slightly; 1–3 bristles below each spikelet (Wax, Fawcett and Isely 1981).

GENUS

Setaria

FAMILY

Poaceae

AUTHORITY

Setaria viridis (L.) P.Beauv.

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

YEAR NATURALISED

1870

ORIGIN

Eurasia

LIFE CYCLE AND DISPERSAL

Reproduces by seed, seeds green, about 1.5 mm long (Wax, Fawcett and Isely 1981).

WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

UPL: Obligate Upland

Rarely is a hydrophyte, almost always in uplands (non-wetlands).

ETYMOLOGY

viridis: From the Latin viridis 'green'

NVS CODE

SETVIR

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

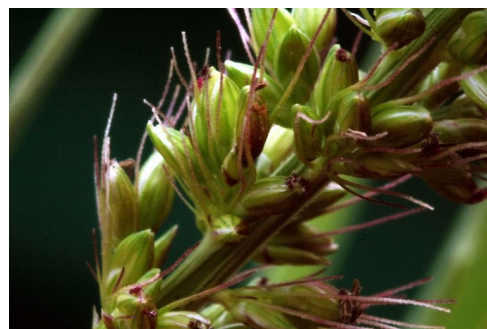
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MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/setaria-viridis/>



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