

Solanum betaceum

COMMON NAMES

tamarillo

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS

White, Yellow

GENUS

Solanum

FAMILY

Solanaceae

AUTHORITY

Solanum betaceum Cav.

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

YEAR NATURALISED

1983

ORIGIN

Andes

ETYMOLOGY

solanum: Derivation uncertain - possibly from the Latin word sol, meaning "sun," referring to its status as a plant of the sun. Another possibility is that the root was solare, meaning "to soothe," or solamen, meaning "a comfort," which would refer to the soothing effects of the plant upon ingestion.

NVS CODE

SOLBET

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/solanum-betaceum/>

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