

Thunbergia alata

COMMON NAMES

Black-eyed Susan

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS

Black, Yellow

GENUS

Thunbergia

FAMILY

Acanthaceae

AUTHORITY

Thunbergia alata Bojer

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

YEAR NATURALISED

1989

ORIGIN

Tropical Africa

REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Ornamental

ETYMOLOGY

alata: From the Latin ala 'wing' meaning 'winged'

ENVIRONMENTAL WEED (2024)

This plant is named in a list of 386 environmental weeds in New Zealand 2024 prepared by DOC. 759 candidate species were considered for inclusion on this new comprehensive list of environmental weeds in New Zealand. The species considered were drawn from published lists of weed species, lists of plants that must be reported or managed by law if observed, existing national and regional programmes and agreements for pest management, and species already managed by the Department of Conservation (DOC). Candidate species were then assessed to see if they were fully naturalised and whether they have more than minor impacts in natural ecosystems. Read the full report [here](#).

NVS CODE

THUALA

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/thunbergia-alata/>



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