

Trifolium campestre

COMMON NAMES

hop trefoil

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

SIMPLIFIED DESCRIPTION

Annual herb; stems decumbent from tap-root; leaves glabrous, trifoliate with stalk of central leaflet longer than the other two leaflets. Flower heads yellow, drying pale brown and looking like small heads of hops.

FLOWER COLOURS

Yellow

HABITAT

Gravel waste areas e.g. railway ballast

GENUS

Trifolium

FAMILY

Fabaceae

AUTHORITY

Trifolium campestre Schreb.

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

YEAR NATURALISED

1867

ORIGIN

Europe to W. Asia, N. Africa

ETYMOLOGY

campestre: From the Latin campus 'field, pasture', meaning growing in pasture

NVS CODE

TRICAM

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/trifolium-campestre/>

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