

Tritonia gladiolaris

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Monocots

SIMPLIFIED DESCRIPTION

Deciduous, with corms that resprout mid-winter; flowering Sept-Oct

FLOWER COLOURS

Cream, White

SIMILAR TAXA

Freesia leichtlinii, which lacks the fine purple veins on underside of the tepals

HABITAT

Dry, very well-drained wasteland and dunes

GENUS

Tritonia

FAMILY

Iridaceae

AUTHORITY

Tritonia gladiolaris (Lam.) Goldblatt et J.C. Manning

SYNONYMS

Trintonia lineata (Salisb.) Ker Gawl.

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

FRUITING

Seedlings appear around potted plants

YEAR NATURALISED

1945

ORIGIN

South Africa

REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Ornamental

CONTROL TECHNIQUES

Hand-weeding, but it is difficult to extract every corm and cormlet

LIFE CYCLE AND DISPERSAL

Spread of corms in garden discards; dune disturbance.

PROPAGATION TECHNIQUE

Corms and seeds, but too invasive to bring into cultivation.



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