

# Vinca minor

## COMMON NAMES

lesser periwinkle

## BIOSTATUS

Exotic

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## CATEGORY

Vascular

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## FLOWER COLOURS

Violet/Purple

## GENUS

Vinca

## FAMILY

Apocynaceae

## AUTHORITY

Vinca minor L.

## ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

## YEAR NATURALISED

1904

## ORIGIN

Europe, W. Asia

## REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Agricultural.

## ETYMOLOGY

**minor**: Smaller

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/vinca-minor/>

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