

Onopordum acanthium

COMMON NAME

cotton thistle

FAMILY

Asteraceae

AUTHORITY

Onopordum acanthium L.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledonous composites

NVS CODE

ONOACA

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

SIMILAR TAXA

Leaves grey-green, covered with dense, white, felted tomentum; involucral bracts green, linear-subulate, 2-3 mm wide at base, with dense felted tomentum; corolla 20-24 mm long.

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink, Violet/Purple

YEAR NATURALISED

1880

ORIGIN

Europe, W. and C. Asia

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/onopordum-acanthium/>



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