

# Camelina alyssum

## COMMON NAME

false flax

## FAMILY

Brassicaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Camelina alyssum* (Mill.) Thell.

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## FLOWER COLOURS

Yellow

## YEAR NATURALISED

1968

## ORIGIN

Europe

## ETYMOLOGY

**alyssum:** From the Greek a- 'not' or 'without' and lyssa 'rage', 'madness', referring to the plant's use to cure rabies. The plant is sometimes also called madwort

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/camelina-alyssum/>

