

Echium candicans

COMMON NAMES

pride of Madeira

FAMILY

Boraginaceae

AUTHORITY

Echium candicans L.f.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

NVS CODE

EHCAN

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

FLOWER COLOURS

Blue, Violet/Purple

YEAR NATURALISED

1959

ORIGIN

Madeira Island

ETYMOLOGY

echium: Possibly named the Greek echis 'viper', named for the seeds' resemblance to a vipers' head. The plant was believed by the 1st century physician Dioscorides to be a remedy for a viper's bite.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/echium-candicans/>

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