

Eragrostis cilianensis

COMMON NAMES

stink grass

FAMILY

Poaceae

AUTHORITY

Eragrostis cilianensis (All.) Janch.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Grasses

NVS CODE

ERACIL

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

SIMPLIFIED DESCRIPTION

Stems, slender, smooth 30–60 cm tall, branched at top, several usually arising from root crown. Leaves have smooth sheaths except for hairs on upper portion, and flat, smooth blades 1.5–7.5 mm wide. Panicles branched, the branches moderately spreading, bearing numerous spikelets 6–15 mm long. Spikelets flat, containing 20–40 florets or seeds; dark grey-green to purple (Wax, Fawcett and Isely 1981).

LIFE CYCLE

Seeds, egg shaped, 0.8 mm in diameter, orange red (Wax, Fawcett and Isely 1981).

YEAR NATURALISED

1906

ORIGIN

Mediterranean

ETYMOLOGY

eragrostis: From the Greek eros 'love' and agrostis 'grass'

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

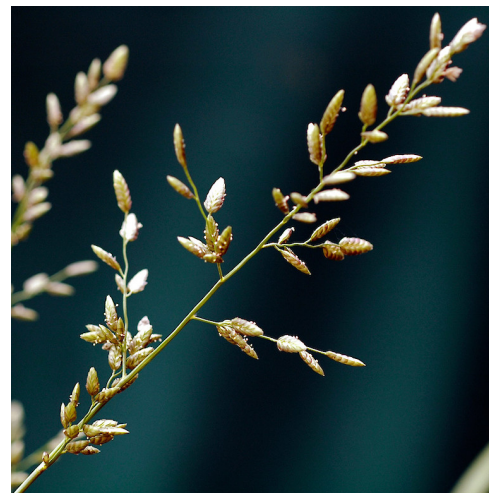
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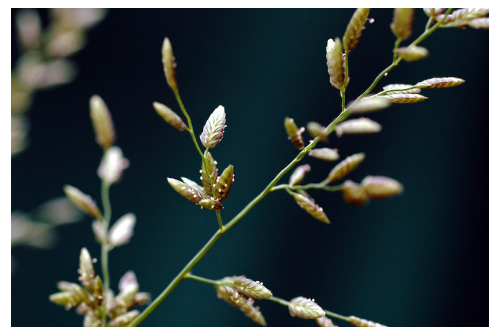
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