Galium verum

COMMON NAMES
lady’s bedstraw

BIOSTATUS
Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS
Not applicable

CATEGORY
Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS
Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS
Yellow

GENUS
Galium

FAMILY
Rubiaceae

AUTHORITY
Galium verum L.

ENDEMIC GENUS
No

ENDEMIC FAMILY
No

YEAR NATURALISED
1908

ORIGIN
Europe, W. Asia

ETYMOLOGY
galium: From the Greek galo ‘milk’, the leaves of Galium verum being used in the past to curdle milk

NVS CODE
GALVER

MORE INFORMATION
https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/galium-verum/

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