

# Corydalis heterocarpa var. japonica

## FAMILY

Papaveraceae

## AUTHORITY

*Corydalis heterocarpa* Siebold et Zucc. var. *japonica* (Franch. et Savat.) Ohwi

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Glabrous herb, leaves pale green, thin, soft, 2-3 pinnate; petioles almost succulent with many pink striae at base; corolla mostly yellow - upper lobe has a distal brown spot and white at tip. Fruit a pod-like capsule. Self-establishing under trees and on earth paths.

## FLOWER COLOURS

Brown, Yellow

## LIFE CYCLE

Self-seeding

## YEAR NATURALISED

2015 (near Rangitikei River, Kakariki)

## ORIGIN

Japan

## REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Ornamental

## ETYMOLOGY

**corydalis:** From korydalis the Greek name for the crested lark, which derives korys 'helmet'; alluding to the shape of the petals

**japonica:** Of Japan

## ATTRIBUTION

fact sheet prepared by Colin C Ogle, October 2016

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/corydalis-heterocarpa-var-japonica/>



Establishing under trees on earth path in extensive garden, near Kakariki, Rangitikei. Photographer: Colin C. Ogle, Date taken: 31/10/2015, Licence: CC BY-NC.



Capsules on plants establishing in extensive garden, near Kakariki, Rangitikei. Photographer: Colin C. Ogle, Date taken: 31/10/2015, Licence: CC BY-NC.