

# Apium graveolens

## COMMON NAME

wild celery

## FAMILY

Apiaceae

## AUTHORITY

Apium graveolens L.

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## FLOWER COLOURS

White

## YEAR NATURALISED

1832

## ORIGIN

Eurasia

## ETYMOLOGY

**apium:** The ancient Latin name for celery or parsley. Believed to be derived from the Celtic word apon 'ditch' and refers to the watery habitat of many species

**graveolens:** Latin for 'strong smelling'

## REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

Johnson, A. T., Smith, H. A. (1972). Plant Names Simplified: Their pronunciation, derivation and meaning. Landsman Bookshop Ltd: Buckenhill, UK.

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/apium-graveolens/>

