# **Euphorbia dulcis**

## **COMMON NAME**

purple spurge

### **FAMILY**

Euphorbiaceae

## **AUTHORITY**

Euphorbia dulcis L.

## **FLORA CATEGORY**

Vascular - Exotic

### STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

### **CONSERVATION STATUS**

Not applicable

## **ETYMOLOGY**

**euphorbia**: After Euphorbus, a Greek physician who served King Juba of Numidia in 12BC. Juba named a cactus to honour Euphorbus and later Linnaeus named the entire genus after the physician.

### **MORE INFORMATION**

https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/euphorbia-dulcis/





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