Solanum carolinense

COMMON NAME

horse nettle

FAMILY

Solanaceae

AUTHORITY

Solanum carolinense L.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular - Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

FLOWER COLOURS

White, Yellow

YEAR NATURALISED

1944

ORIGIN

N. America

ETYMOLOGY

solanum: Derivation uncertain - possibly from the Latin word sol, meaning "sun," referring to its status as a plant of the sun. Another possibility is that the root was solare, meaning "to soothe," or solamen, meaning "a comfort," which would refer to the soothing effects of the plant upon ingestion.

MORE INFORMATION

https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/solanum-carolinense/





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