

Amaranthus blitum subsp. oleraceus

COMMON NAME

purple amaranth

SYNONYMS

Amaranthus lividus L.

FAMILY

Amaranthaceae

AUTHORITY

Amaranthus blitum subsp. *oleraceus* (L.) Costea

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink, Violet/Purple

YEAR NATURALISED

1870

ORIGIN

Tropical and sub-tropical regions

ETYMOLOGY

amaranthus: From the Greek a- 'without' or 'lacking' and maraino 'to fade', meaning unfading and referring to the durability of the flowers of some species

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/amaranthus-blitum-subsp-oleraceus/>



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