

Clematis montana

FAMILY

Ranunculaceae

AUTHORITY

Clematis montana DC.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Lianes & Related Trailing Plants - Dicotyledons

NVS CODE

CLEMON

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

HABITAT

Terrestrial.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Deciduous woody climber with weakly ribbed more or less square stems. The leaves are trifoliate, sparsely hairy, to about 10 by 8 cm on 4-8 cm petiole. The leaflets are thin, lanceolate, coarsely serrate and often tinged red. Large showy pink flowers appear in early summer.

SIMILAR TAXA

Easily distinguished from other clematis by the large pink flowers.

FLOWERING

October, November

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink

YEAR NATURALISED

1968

ORIGIN

Himalayas

ETYMOLOGY

clematis: From the Greek klema 'vine', alluding to the vine-like habit of many species

montana: From the Latin mons 'mountain', meaning growing on mountains

Reason For Introduction

Ornamental

Reproduction

Spreads vegetatively and by seed.

Seed

At least some viable seed is produced.

Dispersal

People, wind.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/clematis-montana/>

