

Eccremocarpus scaber

COMMON NAME

Chilean glory creeper

FAMILY

Bignoniaceae

AUTHORITY

Eccremocarpus scaber Ruiz & Pav.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Lianes & Related Trailing Plants - Dicotyledons

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

A multi-branched climbing subshrub. Evergreen, or deciduous in colder climates, with aerial shoots dying back in winter. Leaves are in opposite pairs, each leaf comprising 2-3 (-7) leaflets, arranged alternately to sub-opposite. The leaflets are thin, variable in size and shape but are generally oval and about 2 cm long. Flowers are numerous and are a showy orange-red outside and orange within. Petals are c. 2.5 cm long, rounded, and slightly rolled backwards at the tips. Flowering occurs from Sept-May. Fruit capsules are glossy, slightly wrinkled and oval shaped; 4.5 x 2 cm. Seeds are black with a prominent wing that aids wind dispersal.

FLOWER COLOURS

Orange, Red/Pink

YEAR NATURALISED

1940

ORIGIN

Chile- Andes

ETYMOLOGY

eccremocarpus: From the Greek ekkremes 'pendent' and karpos 'seed', the seed vessels being pendulous.

NATIONAL PEST PLANT ACCORD SPECIES

This plant is listed in the 2020 National Pest Plant Accord. The National Pest Plant Accord (NPPA) is an agreement to prevent the sale and/or distribution of specified pest plants where either formal or casual horticultural trade is the most significant way of spreading the plant in New Zealand. For up to date information and an electronic copy of the 2020 Pest Plant Accord manual (including plant information and images) visit the [MPI website](https://www.mpi.govt.nz/pest-plant-accord/).

Reason For Introduction

Horticultural

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/eccremocarpus-scaber/>



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