

# Echium candicans

## COMMON NAME

pride of Madeira

## FAMILY

Boraginaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Echium candicans* L.f.

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

## NVS CODE

EHCAN

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## FLOWER COLOURS

Blue, Violet/Purple

## YEAR NATURALISED

1959

## ORIGIN

Madeira Island

## ETYMOLOGY

**echium:** Possibly named the Greek echis 'viper', named for the seeds' resemblance to a vipers' head. The plant was believed by the 1st century physician Dioscorides to be a remedy for a viper's bite.

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/echium-candicans/>



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