

# Epilobium obscurum

## COMMON NAME

tall willow herb

## FAMILY

Onagraceae

## AUTHORITY

Epilobium obscurum Schreb.

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## NVS CODE

EPIOBS

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FACW: Facultative Wetland

Usually is a hydrophyte but occasionally found in uplands (non-wetlands).

## SIMILAR TAXA

seeds 0.8-1.3 mm long; coma white; leaves > or < than subtended internodes. Glandular hairs present only on hypanthium.

## YEAR NATURALISED

1902

## ORIGIN

Eurasia, Macronesia

## ETYMOLOGY

**epilobium:** From the Greek epi- 'upon' and lobos 'a pod', the flowers appearing to be growing on the seed pod.

**obscurum:** From the Latin obscurus 'indistinct', usually in reference to colour and meaning 'dark' or 'dull'

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/epilobium-obscurum/>

