

Erica sparsa

COMMON NAME

pink smoke, ker ker, ker-ker

SYNONYMS

Erica floribunda

FAMILY

Ericaceae

AUTHORITY

Erica sparsa Lodd. var. *sparsa*

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

FLOWER COLOURS

Lavender, Red/Pink

LIFE CYCLE

Woody shrub. Seed is produced; seedlings found on clay bank close to flowering shrubs

YEAR NATURALISED

2012

ORIGIN

South Africa, Lesotho and Swaziland

REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Ornamental

ETYMOLOGY

erica: From the Greek ereika 'heath' or 'heather'

sparsa: From Latin meaning sparse, few

ATTRIBUTION

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MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/erica-sparsa/>



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