

Eryngium amethystinum

FAMILY

Apiaceae

AUTHORITY

Eryngium amethystinum L.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

FLOWER COLOURS

Green, Violet/Purple

ETYMOLOGY

eryngium: From the Greek eryngion, a type of spiny-leaved thistle resembling sea holly

amethystinum: From the Greek amethysto 'amethyst'. The name of this violet semi-precious gemstone literally means 'not drunk' as it was believed to prevent drunkenness. In botany, the colour amethyst is a lighter version of violet.

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/eryngium-amethystinum/>

