

# Hibiscus mutabilis

## COMMON NAME

cotton rose

## FAMILY

Malvaceae

## AUTHORITY

Hibiscus mutabilis L.

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink, White

## REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Garden escape

## ETYMOLOGY

**hibiscus:** Name of very ancient origin used by the Roman poet Virgil for the marsh mallow plant.

## REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

Johnson, A. T. and Smith, H. A (1986). Plant Names Simplified: Their pronunciation, derivation and meaning. Landsman Bookshop Ltd: Buckenhill, UK.

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/hibiscus-mutabilis/>



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