

# Impatiens textorii

## FAMILY

Balsaminaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Impatiens textorii* Miq.

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Soft annual herb with brittle, sappy stems and serrated leaves. Roots fibrous. Plants easily pulled from soil.

## DISTRIBUTION

Rare in NZ but became a very invasive plant in Pukeiti Trust grounds near New Plymouth

## HABITAT

Permanently damp ground, in open or light shade

## FLOWERING

Mid to late summer

## FLOWER COLOURS

Purple, Violet/Purple

## PROPAGATION TECHNIQUE

Seed or cuttings

## YEAR NATURALISED

2009

## ORIGIN

China

## REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Ornamental

## CONTROL TECHNIQUES

Hand weed but sites need frequent inspections as seeding can be prolific

## ETYMOLOGY

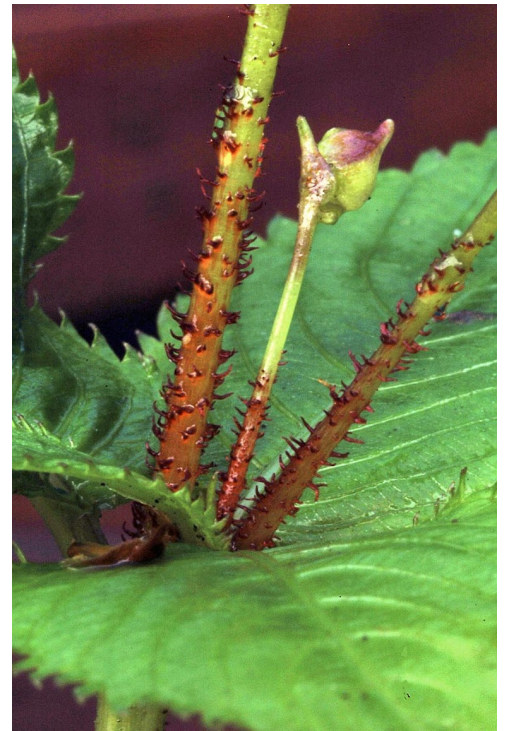
**impatiens:** From the Latin *impatiens* 'impatient, hasty', referring perhaps to the manner in which the pods of some species explode (Johnson and Smith, 1986).

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/impatiens-textorii/>



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