

# Jasminum mesnyi

## COMMON NAME

primrose jasmine

## FAMILY

Oleaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Jasminum mesnyi* Hance

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Trees & Shrubs - Dicotyledons

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## HABITAT

Abandoned gardens, waste places by streams and roadsides

## SIMILAR TAXA

Has yellow flowers similar to *J. humile* and *J. nudiflorum*. *J. mensyi* can be distinguished from *J. humile* by its opposite leaves and semi-double flowers. *J. nudiflorum* is also opposite but is deciduous and has smaller flowers.

## FLOWER COLOURS

Yellow

## LIFE CYCLE

Reproduction is by stem layering, only really a minor escape from cultivation.

## YEAR NATURALISED

1981

## ORIGIN

W. China

## REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Ornamental

## ETYMOLOGY

**jasminum**: Believed to be derived from 'ysmyn', the Arabic name for Jasmine.

## 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/jasminum-mesnyi/>



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