

Kniphofia linearifolia

COMMON NAME

marsh poker

FAMILY

Asphodelaceae

AUTHORITY

Kniphofia linearifolia Baker

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Monocots

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Clumping, to 1.5 m tall. Deciduous.

FLOWERING

Flowers greenish yellow (pink in bud stage)

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink, Yellow

PROPAGATION TECHNIQUE

Seed (collection from Whanganui in 2010 comprised wild seedlings growing near planted specimens); division

YEAR NATURALISED

2010

ORIGIN

southern Africa occurring in Eastern Cape, Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, Swaziland, Mpumalanga and Zimbabwe, with an outlier recorded at Worcester in Western Cape.

REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Ornamental

ETYMOLOGY

kniphofia: The genus is named in honour of Johann Hieronymus Kniphof (1704 - 1763) German physician and botanist.

linearifolia: With linear leaves

REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

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MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/kniphofia-linearifolia/>

