

# Persicaria lapathifolia

## COMMON NAME

pale willow weed

## SYNONYMS

*Polygonum lapathifolium*

## FAMILY

Polygonaceae

## AUTHORITY

*Persicaria lapathifolia* (L.) Gray

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## NVS CODE

PERLAP

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FAC: Facultative

Commonly occurs as either a hydrophyte or non-hydrophyte (non-wetlands).

## FLOWER COLOURS

Green, White

## YEAR NATURALISED

1904

## ORIGIN

Temperate N. Hemisphere

## ETYMOLOGY

**persicaria**: Medieval name referring to the likeness of the leaves to a peach tree

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/persicaria-lapathifolia/>



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