

Salvia involucrata

COMMON NAME

Rose Leaf Sage

FAMILY

Lamiaceae

AUTHORITY

Salvia involucrata Cav.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

HABITAT

So far known as a garden escape at one site, Auckland Zoo. Here a small number of plants grow along an old garden wall and extend well into a shrubbery. A few grow in wasteland along the Motions Creek where it passes through the zoo grounds.

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink

YEAR NATURALISED

2004

ORIGIN

Mexico

Reason For Introduction

Ornamental

Life Cycle Comments

Perennial subshrub to shrub - dies back in cold weather

Reproduction

Appears to be asexual by layering - seed apparently not formed in New Zealand

Seed

Not seen in New Zealand

Dispersal

Spread through garden waste and along water ways, natural spread from established plants is the initial process followed by accidental or deliberate by fragmentation of plants

Tolerances

Cold sensitive - very drought and shade tolerant

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/salvia-involucrata/>



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