## Calystegia tuguriorum

#### **Common Name(s):**

Climbing convolvulus, NZ bindweed

### **Current Threat Status (2012):**

Not Threatened

#### **Distribution:**

Indigenous. North, South, Stewart and Chatham Islands. Present in Chile and on the Juan Fernandez islands

#### **Habitat:**

Coastal to lowland. Usually in shrubland and along forest margins. occasional found on the margins of wetlands. It often favours grey scrub and bare lava or open rock strewn ground.

#### Features\*:

Perennial vine or scrambling plant producing numerous, slender, much-branched puberulent twinning stems. Often forming dense patches. Petioles up to 40 mm, slender. Leaves (10-)40(-50) x (15-)30(-40) mm broad-ovate to deltoid or reniform, entire or sinuate; base cordate, sinus shallow and broad; apex acute to acuminate. Peduncules terete to slightly winged, (30-)110 mm long, > leaves. Bracts broadly ovate to suborbicular; base cordate, apex apiculate. Sepals similar to and < or = bracts. Corolla (25-)50 x (30-)60 mm diam., funnelform, white. Capsule 8-12 mm, broad-ovoid. Seeds orange, smooth.

#### Flowering: Fruiting:

September - March Present throughout the year.

## Threats:

Not Threatened

#### \*Attribution:

Fact sheet prepared for NZPCN by P.J. de Lange 1 November 2005. Description adapted from Allan (1961) and Webb et al. (1988), supplemented with observations made from fresh and dried material.

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