



## *Actinidia deliciosa*

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

kiwifruit

### **Current Threat Status (2009):**

Exotic

### **Habitat:**

Terrestrial.

### **Features:**

Vigorous, dioecious, densely hairy vine. Shoots have shaggy, reddish, simple hairs when young. Petioles reddish tomentous, very variable in length but usually less than lamina. Lamina to about 14 X 14 cm, broadly ovate, with tomentum of whitish hairs beneath, also with simple scattered reddish hairs but becoming almost hairless above, margins denticulate or ciliate. White flowers to about 6 cm across (larger on female than male plants). Fruit 4-8 x 3-4 cm, brown and hairy with green flesh and numerous small black seeds.

### **Flowering:**

October, November, December

### **For more information, visit:**

[http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora\\_details.asp?ID=2438](http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora_details.asp?ID=2438)



**Caption:** *Actinidia deliciosa*

**Photographer:** John Smith-Dodsworth



**Caption:** Alongside railway track, Auckland. Dec 2006.

**Photographer:** Peter de Lange