Arctium minus subsp. minus

Common Name(s):

burdock

Current Threat Status (2009):

Exotic

Habitat:

Terrestrial. Forest margins, waste places, roadsides, creek beds.

Features:

Large biennial herb usually 1-1.5 m tall. Stems grooved and with sparse hairs. Basal leaves deltoid up to 40 x 30 cm, green above and white and densely felty beneath, on hollow petioles. Upper leaves similar to lower but becoming smaller. Inflorescence a raceme of small reddish purple flowers, with green bracts. Seed 5-7 mm long with pappus attached.

Flowering:

January, February, March, April

Fruiting:

February, March, April, May

For more information, visit:

http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora_details.asp?ID=2543



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