



Dactylis glomerata

Common Name(s):

cocksfoot

Current Threat Status (2009):

Exotic

Habitat:

Terrestrial. A plant of coastal, lowland, montane and subalpine habitats (Timmins & MacKenzie 1995). Plant grows in scrub and forest margin, shrubland, tussockland, herbfields, fernland, sand dune hollows and riverbeds (Timmins & MacKenzie 1995).

Features:

Hairless, erect, greyish to bluish green, strongly tufted perennial grass to 1 m tall. Roots fibrous. Emerging leaf folded; ligule 2-12 mm long, membranous, often torn; sheath strongly flattened, sharply keeled. Leaves 100-450 x 2-14 mm, rough towards boat-shaped tip, harsh when old, dull beneath with prominent sharp keel. Seedhead a large panicle, with one-sided clusters of flattened spikelets. Seeds with bristly ends.

For more information, visit:

http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora_details.asp?ID=3809



Caption: Spikelets. Whanganui. nov 2011.

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