



Glyceria declinata

Common Name(s):

blue sweet grass, glaucous sweet grass

Current Threat Status (2009):

Exotic

Distribution:

Throughout New Zealand, including Stewart Island and Chathams.

Habitat:

Aquatic in drains and other slow flowing water bodies. Damp ground in swamps and pastures, drains and river banks.

Features*:

Perennial marginal aquatic grass with rather flaccid culms (15)-25-45 cm. Leaf blade (4)-8-17 cm, folded at first then becoming flat. Panicle 20-30-(40)cm.

Flowering:

Spring/summer.

Fruiting:

late spring-autumn

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References and further reading:

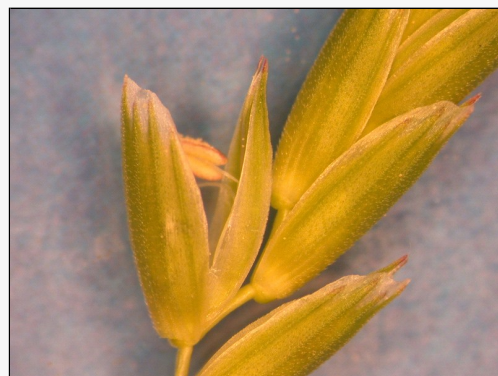
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For more information, visit:

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Caption: Flower of *Glyceria declinata*

Photographer: Paula Reeves (NIWA)



Caption: Leaf of *Glyceria declinata*

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