Hedera helix

Common Name(s):

ivy

Current Threat Status (2009):

Exotic

Habitat:

Terrestrial. Forest understorey, shrubland, rocky cliffs, open areas where there is some support for its scrambling habit.

Features:

Perennial climber with stems woody, stout, becoming erect at flowering, attaching to support with aerial rootlets. Leaves alternate, hairless, dark green or variegated ivory-white, variable shaped (usually shallowly lobed), 3-15 cm long (leaves on flowering stems usually not lobed). Flowers tiny, insignificant, yellowishgreen, Mar-May. Berries 5-8 mm diam, purple to black, usually with low viability.

Flowering: **Fruiting:**

August, September, October, March, April, November, December May

For more information, visit:

http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora_details.asp?ID=4061



Caption: Stokes Valley, Lower Hutt.

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