

# Hydrocotyle leucocephala

## FAMILY

Araliaceae

## AUTHORITY

Hydrocotyle leucocephala Cham. et Schltldl.

## FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

## STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

## CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

## FLOWER COLOURS

White

## LIFE CYCLE

Perennial herb. Vegetative by stolons and/or rhizomes. Viable seed is occasionally produced. Dispersed through careless disposal of garden waste.

## REASON FOR INTRODUCTION

Horticultural.

## ETYMOLOGY

**hydrocotyle:** From the Greek hydor 'water' and cotyle 'cup', in reference to the cup-like hollow at the base of the leaf.

## REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

Johnson, A. T. and Smith, H. A (1986). Plant Names Simplified: Their pronunciation, derivation and meaning. Landsman Bookshop Ltd: Buckenhill, UK.

## MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/hydrocotyle-leucocephala/>



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