



Blue passion flower

Passiflora caerulea

Blue passion flower is a menace!

We need your help to get rid of this invasive plant completely from the Wellington region.

Blue passion flower has been found in your neighbourhood. If you suspect it may be on your property, or know of other sites, contact us and we will control it free of charge.



Impact

Blue passion flower is a prolific seeder that can damage our environment. If left uncontrolled it will rapidly spread and smother other plants.

Blue passion flower is currently limited throughout the Wellington region, so with your help we have an opportunity to eliminate it completely by acting now, before it spreads further.

Description

Blue passion flower is a climbing vine that grows up to 10 metres high.

The shiny leaves are usually palmate-lobed with five parts, but can have as few as three lobes or as many as nine. The leaves are very thin and lobed almost to the base.

The white and purple-blue flowers which appear from December to April may be as large as 10cm across. The non-tubular flowers are white with a

ring of purple filaments and are followed by egg-size deep orange fruits from late summer to winter. The pulp of the fruit is dry and inedible.

Birds and possums feed on the fruit and spread the seeds.

Contact us

If you know of any sites of this pest plant please contact us so we can destroy it.



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