

Pukio (Swamp sedge)

Carex virgata



full sun



shade



wet



dry

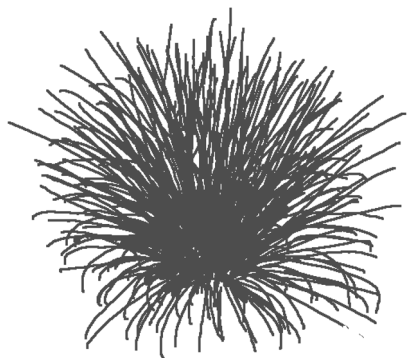


frost



wind

Max height: 1 m



Form

Densely clumped tussock-forming sedge

Where to plant



forest



shrubland



wetland



riparian

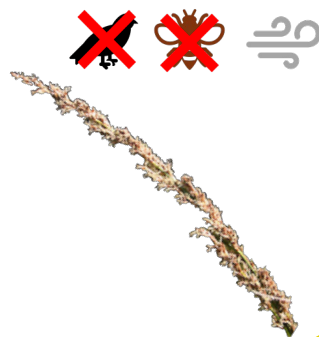
Leaves

- Narrow shape
- Grass-like
- Up to 1.2 m long
- 1.5-4.5 mm wide
- Harsh and rigid
- V-shaped in cross-section



Flowers

- Inflorescence
- Narrow spikes
- Upright
- October to December
- Wind pollinated



Fruit/seeds

- Small and hard
- 1 mm wide
- February
- Dispersed via wind and water



Foundation species – *plant first*

Southland species – *plant local*

