



Juncus usitatus (Common Rush)

Habit

This native rush usually occurs in damp, moist places, swampy areas and fringing wetlands. *Juncus usitatus* does not occur in permanently inundated conditions and tolerates water depth up to 100mm. It usually forms dense clumps and grows to a height of 1m.

Identifying Features

- Stems are dark green or blue green and shiny approximately 1-2mm wide. Base of the stem is a red/brown colour.
- Stem contains air pockets
- Approximately 1m high
- Flowers are numerous and occurs just below the point of the stem
- Flowers in summer and autumn

Notes

Juncus usitatus is a robust species commonly used in wetland plantings, usually fringing the wetland.

