

## FORMOSAN LILY

*Lilium formosanum*

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**Family** Liliaceae

**Origin** Asia, Taiwan

**Description** Slender, erect, perennial, clump-forming herb growing 0.5-2m high. Grows in disturbed areas, usually in friable soils and often along roadsides <sup>19</sup>.

**Stems/Leaves** Simple, alternate leaves linear to lanceolate in shape up to 15 cm long. Aerial, erect, slender stem that is unbranched <sup>19</sup>.

**Flowers** Terminal, funnel-shaped flowers flowering from January to April. Flowers are white in colour with a mauvish central stripe. <sup>19</sup>.

**Fruit/Seed** Cylindrical capsule 5-8 cm long and 1-2 cm in diameter, and winged. Numerous seeds that are usually flat and disc shaped <sup>19</sup>.

**Root system** Bulb and fibrous stem roots <sup>19</sup>.

### Removal techniques

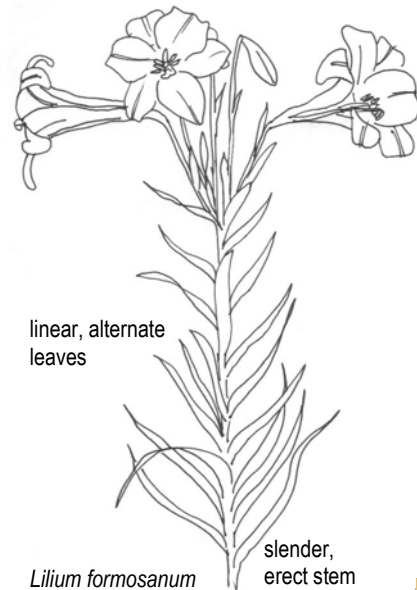
**Manual** Take care to remove the whole plant including the bulb <sup>8</sup>.

**Chemical** Chemical controls are available. Spray the plant with glyphosate at a ratio of 1:70-100. It is best to spray between flowering and fruiting <sup>22</sup>.

### Notes

After fire events the plant re-shoots <sup>8</sup>.

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